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SECTARIAN CONFLICT

Two chassidic Jews inspect graffiti scrawled on the walls of their yeshiva in suburban Tel Aviv. The school was vandalized last month, prayer shawls were shredded, prayer books and phylacteries were destroyed. This was one of the numerous conflicts between untra-Orthodox and secular Jews. See also story on page 6. [Religious News Service photo]

Montreal vandals hit Jewish centres

MONTREAL — The daubing of a Cote St. Luc synagogue with anti-semitic graffiti is the latest in a wave of incidents perpetrated against Jewish institutions this year, says the B'nai B'rith League for Human Rights.

The exterior of Beth Zion Congregation was painted recently with swastikas and "Kill the Jews." During the same weekend, said league regional director Arthur Hiess, as many as 115 headstones in the Baron de Hirsch Cemetery on de la Savane Rd. were knocked over.

Hiess said the league decided to depart from the usual policy of not making public comment on anti-semitic incidents because of the fact their frequency is reaching a disturbing level.

Desecration of Jewish cemeteries has been the most frequent form of this series of anti-semitic incidents which have been mounting since January, he said. Starting in the winter, the King Edward Society Cemetery in the city's north end has been the target of three separate sprees ending in 25 to 30 stones being toppled each time.

Within the past month, vandals overturned a total of 22 stones in the Spanish and Portuguese and Shaar Hashomayim cemeteries on Mount Royal.

The League for Human Rights keeps a record of anti-semitic incidents in Canada and has published an annual report since 1982 on anti-semitism.

Hiess is also disturbed by the recent painting of "FLQ" on Jewish and non-Jewish businesses on Victoria Ave. in the Snowdon area.

A series of bomb threats were made against Jewish schools and agencies this winter. Branches of Jewish People's Schools and Peretz, Allied Jewish Community Services and the B'nai B'rith office were among those receiving calls that a bomb was about to go off in their building.

Hiess said the police are investigating the incidents, and the force's new community relations unit, headed by John Dalzell, has been particularly cooperative. Youth are believed to be the culprits.

The league is making available guidelines on what to do in the event of an anti-semitic incident and on how Jewish institutions can improve their security.

Israel accuses Syria of Madrid bombing

TEL AVIV (JTA) — Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin accused Syria Sunday of complicity in the bomb attack on the El Al check-in counter at Madrid's Barajas International Airport where eight people were injured last week. The bomb, concealed in luggage, exploded before it was loaded aboard an El Al flight to Tel Aviv.

Rabin said the man who brought the explosive-laden suitcase to Spain and handed it over to an accomplice at the airport, traveled to Spain on a Syrian passport. "I presume the Syrians knew to whom they were issuing the passport," Rabin said.

"It would have been a tragedy if the bomb had gone off in flight," said Civil Aviation chief Manuel Medero. One hundred people were booked on the plane.

The explosion occurred at 3:25 p.m. — just one hour after Israel's ambassador to Spain, Samuel Hadass, arrived in Madrid on a flight from Tel Aviv.

El Al security chief, Nir Ran, 31, was checking passengers' luggage when he spotted smoke billowing from a shaving kit inside one suitcase. He grabbed a fire extingusiher and sprayed the suitcase, apparently touching off the bomb.

Eight people, including Ran and a policeman, were injured in the blast, which ripped a hole in the ceiling, damaged 25 airline counters and shattered windows.

Security was stepped up at the airport after terrorists involved in the Dec. 27 at-

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Designation on identity card

Convert issue causes storm

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The fiercely controversial "Who is a Jew" issue flared anew last week when it was disclosed at a Supreme Court hearing that the Orthodox-controlled interior ministry requires that the word "converted," in parentheses, be printed next to the designation "Jewish" on the identity cards of all converts to Judaism in Israel.

The new regulation triggered angry responses from secular spokesmen, who charged that the interior ministry was trying to introduce the Orthodox-inspired "Who is a Jew" amendment "through the back door." Even some Orthodox rabbis regard the designation as objectionable and discriminatory against converts.

The Knesset will hold a fullscale debate on the issue. Knesset Speaker Shlomo Hillel placed it on the agenda over objections by the interior ministry that the matter was subjudice and could not be discussed in parliamentary session. Hillel said Knesset members would be warned to steer clear of specific issues before the Supreme Court.

The case before the court concerns a recent American immigrant, Shoshana Miller, who was converted to Judaism in Colorado Springs, Colo., by a Reform rabbi and refuses to undergo Orthodox conversion rites in Israel.

The interior ministry told the court that the identity card, though not in itself proof of halachic status, is prima facie evidence and is used as such by rabbis who register marriages. Therefore, according to the ministry, the designation "converted" on the identity cards serves as a guide to the rabbis who would then have to make sure the conversion was satisfactory for halachic purposes.

Former Ashkenazi Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren termed the regulation a "spilling of the blood" of converts. In an interview he called attention to many biblical and Talmudic prohibitions against discrimination. "It is against the Torah," Goren said.

Goren, like most Orthodox rabbis, supports the Who is a Jew amendment to the Law of Return. The law, passed shortly after the Israeli state was founded, entitles any Jew to receive Israeli citizenship immediately upon arrival in the country. It identifies a Jew as anyone "born of a Jewish mother or converted." The amendment would add the words "according to halacha."

It would thus allow the Orthodox rabbinate to declare invalid conversions performed by non-Orthodox rabbis. It has been fiercely opposed by the Reform and Conservative movements in the U.S. and Israel. The amendment has been introduced in the Knesset many times over the years and to date has always been defeated.

In a radio interview later in the week, the former Ashkenazic Chief Rabbi, Shlomo Goren, elaborated on his sharp criticism of the regulation that requires the word "converted" to be stamped next to the designation "Jewish" on the identity cards of converts to Judaism in Israel.

Goren said that the ruling was totally contrary to halacha, Jewish religious law. According to halacha one is absolutely forbidden from putting any stigma on a convert once the conversion procedures are completed.

"He should not be reminded that he is a convert," Goren said.

The Orthodox rabbi added the new regulation did injustice to most converts since they observe Judaism more strictly than secular Jews. He stressed that converts are equal to other Jews and even have privileges other Jews do not have. "It is a mitzvah to love a convert," Goren declared.

Meanwhile, Leon Dulzin, chairman of the Jewish Agency and World Zionist Organization Executive warned that the new regulation would create divisions within Jewry and

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Israel-Poland ties reported to be near

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Israel and Poland are preparing to exchange diplomatic representatives, a move which may open the way for the establishment of full diplomatic relations some time in the future.

Yediot Achronot reported last week that a delegation from the Polish foreign ministry visited Israel and an official Israeli delegation will leave for Warsaw in the next few days.

The Polish party reportedly inspected a building in Tel Aviv, formerly a Polish bank, where the Polish mission will be housed. Renovation work is expected to begin immediately. They also met with senior foreign ministry officials in Jerusalem.

The Israeli delegation will go to Poland to check arrangements at the Netherlands embassy in Warsaw where Israel's mission will be located. According to Yediot Achronot, the mission will be headed by Mordechai Paltzor, who was attached to the Israel embassy in Warsaw before Poland broke relations with Israel nearly 20 years ago.

There will be no official ceremonies when the exchange of representatives is effected, but Israel and Poland will issue a joint statement. Foreign ministry sources expressed hope that other Soviet-bloc countries would follow Poland's example.

Shin Bet head pardon criticized

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Avraham Shalom, head of Israel's internal security services, Shabak (Shin Bet), resigned last week and was immediately granted a pardon by President Chaim Herzog for any acts on his part or failure to act in connection with a bus hijack incident in the Gaza Strip in April, 1984.

The pardon brought a demand in the cabinet for an inquiry and lined up the Labor members versus the Likud as the Likud is opposed to any sort of probe into Shin Bet activities. The Likud's Yitzhak Shamir was Prime Minister when the incident occurred.

At press time (June 30) a debate was scheduled in the Knesset with the expectation it would bring the matter to a head.

Avraham Shalom

President Herzog told the nation in a broadcast that he has acted "to protect Shin Bet from further damage."

He had decided to award the pardons after hearing from the inner cabinet which had convened, he noted pointedly, together with the attorney-general.

Herzog said he knew his decision was controversial and would not be accepted by everyone. He understood the contentions of the opponents, but he had to weigh up the pros and cons and had decided in favor of "the national interest."

He cited judicial and legal opinions to the effect that the President's exercise of pardon wasn't merely an act of mercy but could sometime be an exercise of the supreme national interest.

The pardon would seem to preclude any investigation of charges that Shalom engaged in an elaborate coverup amounting to obstruction of justice with respect to the unexplained deaths of two captured Arab bus hijackers while in custody of security agents. Three of Shalom's aides accused with him were also pardoned.

The announcement that Shalom resigned came from the cabinet after 12 hours of high-level meetings and consultations involving the inner cabinet, President Herzog, Attorney-General Yosef Harish and top private attorneys.

The official announcement said Shalom resigned because the affair resulted in his being identified publicly as head of Shabak, commonly known as Shin Bet, which made it impossible to continue in his post. The identity of the Shin Bet chief has always been a state secret.

The cabinet's announcement of Shalom's resignation stated that there would be no further police or ju-

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World-National

Austria isn't the only place . . .

By
RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

Long before Kurt Waldheim was finally elected president of Austria it became evident that the whole unsavory affair would bring latent anti-semitism once more out into the open.

That it happened in Austria should surprise no student of that country, which up to now has made a religion out of denying any responsibility for what happened in the Hitler years. Some 20 years ago, when I made a survey of Austrian textbooks, it became evident that the authorities followed a simple line: "Nazism was German; the Germans took over Austria in 1938 and forced their philosophy on us, a conquered nation; everything that happened later was, therefore, the responsibility of the Germans and not ours." Never mind that Hitler was an Austrian, or that Austria had wildly and enthusiastically welcomed him at the time of the Anschluss, or that (as has been estimated) half the officials at the extermination camps in Poland were Austrians. "We were a conquered nation," the official line stated, "and the past is not our problem."

Rabbi Plaut

Meanwhile, anti-semitism continued unabated in post-war Austria.

There were some bright spots — like the role the country played in the exodus of Soviet Jews — but the unregenerates were always in evidence, especially when it came to questions of the Holocaust. But not in Austria alone. They exist in our own midst, as my correspondents (usually anonymous) will testify. Just to give you a taste of what they have to say, here's the latest sample, produced in excerpt:

"As a World War II criminal I would like to comment on your attack on Waldheim! First allow me to confess my crimes during World War II —

"I was a member of the RCAF attached to the RAF. As a squadron we dumped thousands of tons of bombs on Europe — no doubt some fell on innocent civilians. Like Waldheim, I did not want to be involved as I was. However I was there because I was told to be there; I did what I did because I was ordered to do what I did!

"Now what in hell would you Jewish bastards have done if you were in Waldheim's situation? Don't tell me you would have acted differently. You bastards could also be accused of atrocities — it has been known for you to commit them. But with a holier-than-thou attitude, what can one expect from you? You bastards will be stirring the Holocaust pot until the end of time — looking for sympathy or revenge.

"History seems to be repeating itself — with your attempt at world domination — in every area, the money markets, real estate, industry, natural resources, etc., etc. Maybe, just maybe, Hitler wasn't all that wrong. I do believe that he was trying to stop your greed of the same nature at that time!

". . . Live and let live! People are sick and tired of your damn accusations about the Holocaust.

"A war criminal of World War II.

"No signature — for obvious reasons.

"Anti-semitic?!?" which you bastards thrive on."

One comment only: clearly the Waldheim affair has brought into the open what has been there all along.

Jews just too plugged into overall society

Pollard doesn't turn back clock

By
WOLF BLITZER

WASHINGTON —

Dr. Dov S. Zakheim, the Pentagon's deputy under-secretary for planning and resources, has been the prime mover in Washington in recent weeks in assessing the costs of Israel's new generation jet fighter, the Lavi. As such, he has come under sharp criticism from some Israeli officials.

Zakheim, who led an inter-agency study on the Lavi, concluded that the plane would wind up costing much more than the official Israeli estimates. Israeli officials have angrily challenged his figures. The debate, of course, continues.

Whatever the outcome, the dispute has highlighted a fascinating development in the conduct of American-Israeli relations — something that would have been unheard of during the early years of Israel's independence. Increasingly, many key American officials involved in dealing with Israel on some of the most sensitive issues have themselves been Jewish.

Despite the allegations of a potential conflict of interest and "dual loyalty," there has been no really serious problem in assigning Jews to very sensitive political, economic, military and intelligence tasks involving Israel.

In many respects, Henry Kissinger broke the ice in 1973 when he became the first — and so far only — Jewish secretary of state. In the Carter administration that followed, there were two Jewish special envoys to the Middle East: Robert Strauss and Sol Linowitz. That pattern has continued in the Reagan administration. The old taboo of being Jewish and dealing with Israel has since become history.

Some observers have expressed fear that the Jonathan Jay Pollard spy scandal has revived some of those earlier fears. Pollard, the former U.S. naval intelligence analyst who pleaded guilty to spying for Israel, is Jewish. But the Pollard case, so far, does not appear to have had any serious effect on this trend of dispatching Jews to deal with Israel.

The Jewish community in America in 1986 seems just too plugged into the overall society for that embarrassing setback to have turned back the clock.

Zakheim is by no means the only example of a Jew in a sensitive U.S. slot, although, because of the Lavi controversy, his name has appeared quite often in the headlines lately. Zakheim is not only Jewish, but strictly Orthodox.

A graduate of a yeshiva high school in New York, Columbia University, and Oxford University in England where he earned a doctorate, he also has smicha, or Orthodox rabbinic ordination. He never has actually practiced, but getting smicha was something he always wanted since it has been a longstanding family tradition. His father, a lawyer in New York, also has smicha, as did his grandfathers and great-grandfathers.

He is fluent in Hebrew. He attends Shabbat services at a small, strictly Orthodox synagogue in suburban Silver Springs, Md., where the Israeli embassy's number 2 diplomat, Charge d'Affairs Eli Rubinstein, who is Orthodox, also happens to pray.

Zakheim, 37 years old, does not feel any conflicts. He is an American official, simply doing his job. He honed his military and analytical skills years earlier as a legislative staffer on Capitol Hill.

His cost estimates on the Lavi — while irritating to some Israeli officials — are not designed to embarrass or hurt Israel. Just the opposite is the case, he points out. Given the fixed amount of money available, Israel's best longterm interests require spending it as effectively as possible. By raising these very hard questions about the Lavi, he believes he may in fact be doing Israel a big favor.

But Zakheim is not alone. Whether in the Pentagon, the state department, the Central Intelligence Agency, the White House, the National Security Council, the justice department, the FBI or the Congress, there is no shortage of Jews working in very senior and extremely sensitive positions. And often, they are instructed to focus their attention on Israel, a key U.S. ally. Lately, this has been almost fashionable.

At the state department, for example, Secretary of State George Shultz has Judge Abraham Sofaer as his chief legal advisor. Sofaer, like Zakheim, also has been in the news lately because of his recent effort to bridge Israeli-Egyptian differences over setting the terms of reference for resolving the Taba border dispute.

Sofaer was also the head of the inter-agency U.S. delegation that went to Israel last December to question Israeli officials implicated in the Pollard affair. Like Zakheim, Sofaer is a proud Jew, whose children attend Jewish day school. He, himself, is a graduate of Yeshiva University in New York. He has never sought to hide his Jewishness.

When Shultz needed advice on how best to help solve Israel's economic headaches two years ago, he turned to Profs. Herbert Stein of the American Enterprise Institute and Stanley Fischer of MIT, two of America's best economists. Both are Jewish.

Since then, both have been intimately involved in helping to restructure the Israeli economy — sometimes to the irritation of Israeli finance ministry officials. But overall, their views were highly respected and eventually appreciated. In Washington, there was no fear of dual loyalty.

For nearly 15 years, the state department has routinely sent Jewish foreign service officers to the U.S. embassy in Tel Aviv although there has not yet been a Jewish ambassador to Israel. Over the years, there has been a host of Jewish diplomats in the embassy's key political section — many fluent in Hebrew and one or two even quite religious.

The eight members of the Senate and the 30 members of the House of Representatives who are Jewish are also quite comfortable in their roles as Americans and as Jews. They don't see any conflicts even though Gore Vidal, the American writer, raised a storm of protest in March when he attacked pro-Israeli Americans as the "Israeli Fifth Column Division."

But the basic nature of America as a land of immigrants is still very much an integral part of the country. It is a dynamic testimony to the maturity, self-confidence and growth of the United States.

Shelter Year meet planned

OTTAWA —

Canada will celebrate International Year of Shelter for the Homeless in 1987, Monique Vezina, minister for external relations, announced recently.

"We realize that like many other countries, Canada has too many citizens who cannot afford decent housing," Vezina said in the House of Commons. "However, if we compare our situation with the rest of the world, Canadians are privileged indeed."

As part of United Nations' International Year of Shelter for the Homeless, Vezina said the Canadian International Development Agency and the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation will be taking part in a conference dealing with housing for the needy. The conference, sponsored by the Canadian Committee of the International Council on Social Welfare and the Canadian Association of Housing and Renewal, will be held in the fall of 1987.

Clark Kent as columnist presents unfair competition

By
ELLEN GOODMAN

BOSTON —

I didn't really mind when Jeane Kirkpatrick became a columnist. What the heck, it could have been worse: She might have become a lobbyist.

I was equally philosophical when Lee Iaccoca started being syndicated. After all, he'd already been incorporated. He was a garage-hold name.

When they started marketing the Pope as a columnist, it did make me a touch uneasy. How would you like to compete with someone who's infallible? But, you know how these things go. I adjusted.

This however is too much. I have just heard that 48-year-old Clark Kent is getting his own newspaper column.

Let me trace this journalistic scandal to its beginings. The guy known throughout Metropolis as Superman, is being updated by DC Comics. The sole survivor of a destroyed planet, the veritable man of steel, the guy "faster than a speeding bullet," has been suffering from sluggish sales.

They have decided to enlarge Superman's popularity by reducing his superpowers. "He's not going to be able to fly to Mars and back before breakfast," says a mere mortal from DC Comics. "If he's holding back a Boeing 747, he's going to notice it." They are betting that a small grunt, a bit of sweat, a speed slower than that of light, will bridge the credibility gap that has grown between Superman of 1938 and the science-savvy kids of 1986.

Well, it is bad enough that Superman is getting renovated. It's far far more serious that Clark Kent, the mild-mannered reporter for The Daily Planet, is getting reassigned.

No longer the wimp's wimp, Clark Kent will emerge now as "self-assured," more open about his feelings, a guy who writes novels on the side and keeps a fitness machine in his bachelor pad. And during the day, he is going to be "a feature writer or a columnist." You know what that means: Another columnist is joining the ranks — a cross between Bill Buckley and Maria Shriver's husband.

Frankly I think Lois Lane should file a suit for being passed over. She was covering news all these years while he was making it. In fact, Kent made a lousy reporter. He got overly involved in the story. He dropped his objectivity every time he dropped his civvies. He was forever taking sides.

But that doesn't mean he should move into opinion writing. It just isn't fair to the rest of us in the business.

Clark Kent already has an alter ego, he doesn't need a column. The whole concept of Superman is that brawn is stronger than brain, that a superhero may be weak with words but powerful on the wing, or at least the cape. Superman is supposed to be a creature of action, not analysis.

The old Clark Kent needed the newspaper to get to the battle scene, not to fight the battle. The defender of "truth, justice and the American way" never once wrapped himself in the First Amendment when he could strip down to his Big S.

The rest of the columnists, take my word for it, are not that lucky. We need the work more than he does. The word processor is our telephone booth, we enter it mild mannered and emerge with soaring power: It's a bird! It's a plane! It's a cause-carrying columnist!

Deep down, we can't measure up. We know that Clark Kent's alter ego can stop "injustice," while the rest of us can only deplore it. He can pursue "the American way," while we can only point to it. He may suffer from conflict of interest, but we suffer from an inferiority complex.

I consider this incursion by Superman onto our turf a blatant example of unfair competition. What political commentator can change the system with such ease? What humorist can leap over tall deadlines in a single bound?

Send Kent to the police beat, or at least assign him to the foreign desk, since his travel expenses are so low. But keep him away from column-writing.

Mind you, I am not personally threatened by this newcomer. Not so long as I have the kryptonite in my desk. But tell me: How can someone with mere insight ever compete with X-ray vision?

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Student exchange

OTTAWA —

A contribution of $374,500 to the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews to operate an anglophone-francophone student exchange program involving 1,150 young people has been announced by Barbara McDougall, federal minister of state for finance on behalf of the Benoit Bouchard, secretary of state.

The project matches students between 14 and 18 years of age and involves French-speaking students from Quebec and partners from a different province. Two students spend two weeks during July and August in Quebec and then travel together to stay at the home of the English-speaking partner for another 2-week period.

The exchange participants attend orientation sessions and correspond with their partners prior to the exchange. Staff from the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews provide assistance and guidance.

Lainson won't verbally joust with Keegstra

New Socred head pledges "positive" direction

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

Rev. Harvey Lainson is facing a formidable task. As newly elected leader of the federal Social Credit Party, he is attempting to bring the party back to the national prominence it once enjoyed. At the same time, he's encountering dissension from the Alberta wing of the party.

At the party's recent national convention in Toronto, Lainson defeated former Eckville, Alta. schoolteacher Jim Keegstra, 67 votes to 38, following which Keegstra promptly labeled Lainson a racist.

Lainson declines to verbally joust with Keegstra, who was convicted last year of promoting hatred against Jews.

"I don't want to attack Mr. Keegstra in the press," Lainson told The CJN. "I don't want to respond to him in the way he did to me."

Lainson also declined to overtly condemn Keegstra's views, or lead a move to push Keegstra out of the party. Instead, Lainson said he would be directing his energies in a "positive" direction — reorganizing the once-important party (in the 1984 federal election it received only .13% of the vote) by disseminating its message through modern technological means.

While Lainson wouldn't overtly criticize Keegstra, he pointed to his promise that "if (Keegstra) was elected, I would resign as national organizer."

Lainson refused to say whether he took that stand because of Keegstra's beliefs towards Jews, adding "I'm definitely not" anti-semitic. (Keegstra taught that Jews control the international banking system and are behind most political upheavals, revolutions and "evil" in the world.)

The pastor of the Missionary Church in Listowel, Ont., Lainson said he would promote the beliefs of former Alberta premier William Aberhart — "Christian principles applied to government and monetary reform."

Lainson said the party was growing quickly in Ontario, appealing mostly to evangelical Christians.

When asked whether he agreed with Keegstra's view of an international conspiracy extant in the world, Lainson replied "there are always conspiracies."

Pointing to Hitler and Lenin, he said there have been conspiracies to remove people's freedom. "I don't agree with connecting that with Jews," he said, adding David Rockefeller (cited by Keegstra as an important figure in the so-called conspiracy) is a Baptist.

"The real foes of the party are the three shades of humanism," the Liberal, Progressive Conservative and New Democractic parties, as well as the debt problem, said Lainson.

Responding to Lainson's election, a spokesman for Canadian Jewish Congress said "we were encouraged by Lainson's public declaration that he'd resign as national organizer if Keegstra was elected leader.

"We are also encouraged that even though the racists were disturbingly out in the open at the convention, the majority of the delegates voted for Lainson and rejected the theologians of hate and secular white supremacists," said Manuel Prutschi, national director of community relations of CJC.

Among those in attendance at the convention as observers were Ernst Zundel, convicted of spreading the no-Holocaust lie, Robert Smith and Donald Andrews, convicted of promoting hatred of non-whites, and John Ross Taylor, convicted of violating a court order not to disseminate hate messages by phone.

Also present were Frank Cottingham and Jim Greene, who daily accompanied Keegstra to court during his trial last year.

Prutschi told The CJN that Congress sent a letter to Lainson noting the rejection of the party of Keegstra and pointing out that Aberhart and Ernest Manning in the late 1940s moved to root out anti-semitism from the party.

Prutschi said the letter suggested that in his moves to revitalize the party, Lainson should follow that lead "to ensure that racists will not find a comfortable niche in Social Credit and not be permitted to run under the party's banner."

The letter also stated that Congress "is heartened that the party's philosophy is God-centred, but is somewhat troubled that this positive God-consciousness is exclusively Christian."

It is disturbing that a party that seeks a national dimension is "not sufficiently conscious that Canada is a religiously pluralistic and multicultural society," the letter states.

Nazi communities said thriving in S. America

NEW YORK (JTA) —

Pockets of Nazi communities, made up of the children of Nazi war criminals and local Nazis, have developed in several South American countries.

According to Gerald Posner, a New York attorney who is co-author of the newly published Mengele: The Complete Story (McGraw Hill, $18.95), there are at least 20-25,000 hard core Nazis in South America, with large pockets in Argentina, Brazil and Paraguay.

"The remnant of the Nazi killing machine is alive in South America," the 31-year-old lawyer, who spent months in South America in the guise of a Nazi propagandist while working on his book, he said at an Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith luncheon here.

"The Fourth Reich Nazis in South America hate the Jews with passion," he said, adding that the "second generation of Nazis, the sons and daughters of the German Nazis who took refuge in South America, are unrepentant and willing to carry on with the atrocities committed by their fathers.

Discussing his new book, which he co-authored with John Ware, Posner said that he became interested in the Mengele case in 1981 when he was retained to represent twins who had survived the gruesome experiments conducted on them by Mengele, the Angel of Death, at the Auschwitz concentration camp during World War II.

Posner disclosed that there are 118 known twins survivors who were tortured by the "medical" experiments of Mengele. About 97 of them live now in Israel, he said.

Until Adolf Eichmann was abducted in 1960 from Argentina by Israeli intelligence agents of the Mossad, Mengele lived in Buenos Aires almost openly, Posner said. But following the Eichmann abduction, Mengele fled to Paraguay, where he lived in constant fear from the Israelis, Posner said.

One of the lighter moments at a ceremony congratulating the Israeli national basketball team. Tony Ruprecht (left) and Gideon Saguy (right) look on as Montreal-born Arie Rosenberg makes like a Harlem Globetrotter, spinning the ball off his finger. [Graphic Artists photo]

Ont. holds reception for Israeli hoopsters

TORONTO —

The recent visit of the Israeli national basketball team to Canada did not go unnoticed by those in the political realm, as the government of Ontario hosted a farewell reception for the Israeli delegation.

At a brief ceremony in the government caucus room in Queen's Park, Tony Ruprecht, minister without portfolio responsible for citizenship and culture, presented members of the Israeli team with certificates congratulating each on their participation in an exhibition series against the Canadian national team.

In remarks to the team, Ruprecht described Ontario's "close ties" and friendship with Israel and he told them of the recent decision of the Ontario government to officially recognize Israel Independence Day (CJN May 22).

Izhak Fuchs, head of the Israeli delegation, which included athletes, coaches and trainers, thanked the minister and the Israeli consulate for their hospitality, saying "despite the geographic distance between the two countries, we feel we're at home."

Israel Consul-General Gideon Saguy added his thanks and translated Ruprecht's remarks for the team.

Sid Greenberg, president of Maccabi Canada, told The CJN the 4-game series was "a success," despite the sweep by the Canadian squad.

Canada won by 8-10 points in the first three games, and then, with the clock running down in the final game in Toronto, Canadian captain Jay Triano sank the winning basket to win 93-90.

The event, co-sponsored by Basketball Canada and Maccabi Canada, saw the two national teams play the 4-game series as a tune up for the World Championships, to be held in July in Madrid.

The exhibition games, played in London, Hamilton, Waterloo and Toronto, grossed $65,000, Greenberg said, with Basketball Canada and Maccabi Canada splitting the proceeds. Greenberg estimated each party would net about $25,000, with Maccabi's share going to develop sports programs in Canada.

Greenberg noted a by-product of tournament was the interest generated in the Jewish communities in the smaller centres. They were "excited to see something to do with Israel," he said.

Alex Fisher, honorary president of Maccabi Canada, described the match-up as "a wonderful bit of diplomatic exchange," adding a reciprocal visit by the Canadian team to Israel is slated for 1987.

Despite the disappointing result on the court, "everybody won" at the tournament, Greenberg said.

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Living Halacha

By
RABBI MOSES J. BURAK

QUESTION: Are you proud of your Israeli ultra-Orthodox fanatics who set fire to bus shelters that show pictures of scantily clad bathing beauties?

No! And are you proud of your hooligans who respond to these acts by making fires in synagogues, painting swastikas on synagogue walls, destroying an ark, ripping holy books and tephillen?

Rabbi Burak

The fanatics deface these pictures because they feel that looking at such semi-nude portraits may lead them to unholy thoughts and improper acts. Your guys don't need to reply with vandalism. They could argue that there are other ways to banish evil inclination. For instance. . . .

In Tractate Kessubos, 5B, Rabbi Elazar said: ". . . Why are our fingers pointed like pegs? The reason for it is that if a man hears an unworthy thing, he shall plug his fingers into his ears," and he won't hear. He doesn't give the evildoer a shot in the mouth to break his teeth and stop him from talking. He closes his own ears and that's all that's needed. That's the way Bernard Baruch handled this problem; he turned off his hearing aid.

So, too, if you hold it's improper to look at pictures of bathing beauties — and bathing suits are getting skimpier all the time — there is something you can do about it. Don't look! Lower your eyes, and you won't see all that skin exposed by the bikini.

But, some will argue: "It's not for myself that I worry. I call this pornography, and I worry about the effect such pictures will have on young children. Therefore, to protect those young children I deface the pictures, or set fire to the bus shelter." That's a fair answer from your point of view. But, the Sages of the Talmud, whom you claim to adore, did not act that way. . . .

Long ago, before the rabbinate became a profession replete with unions, salary scales and pension plans, rabbis toiled in lowly trades to earn their bread. The great Hillel was a woodcutter. In Tractate Pesachim, 113B, we are given a picture of the lives of two sages, what they did, and with whom they dealt:

"Rabbi Haninah and Rabbi Oshaiah were cobblers in Eretz Yisrael, and dwelt in a street of harlots. And they made shoes for the harlots, and went in to them (to deliver the shoes). The harlots looked at them; but the scholars would not lift up their eyes to look at them. And when the harlots took an oath, it was 'by the life of Rabbanan Kaddishe, the holy Rabbis of Eretz Yisrael.' "

Undoubtedly, living in a red-light street couldn't be good for the rabbis' children. So, why didn't the rabbis burn down those rotten establishments? It appears, therefore, that even harlots have rights, and one may not take the law into one's own hands to get rid of them.

Now, let us have a look at the other side, and its response with fire, and swastikas for synagogue buildings. When is one best able to see the character of a man? "Be-kisso, be-koso, be-ka'a'so . . . in his wallet, in his cup, and in his anger." What people do when they are angry tells you who they really are.

Who desecrated synagogues in the past! Nazis and neo-Nazis had a penchant for such activities in recent days. Spaniards did it in 1492. Bogdan Chmielnicki, the Cossack, did such things between 1648-1655. Why should Jewish boys do this to a shul? Where are the Israeli police, who are specialists in finding religious lawbreakers? Where are they when it comes to finding the desecrators of synagogues?

Eyewitness tells of slaughter

Postwar Kielce pogrom recalled

By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

For the population of the Polish town of Kielce, the Holocaust hadn't been enough. More Jews from Poland were murdered in Hitler's camps than from anywhere else, but Kielcers apparently found it necessary to kill even more Jews after World War II.

So on the evening of July 4, 1946, Polish nationals and some Communists went on a rampage in the southeastern Polish town, the capital of Kielce province. Of the 250 battered and numb Jews who managed to stagger back to Kielce after the war from the death camps and ghettos, 42 were beaten, shot and strangled to death. The excuse used by the local populace — angered at the renewal of the Jewish community there — was that Jews used the blood of Christian children for ritual purposes.

On this, the 40th anniversary of the Kielce pogrom, Morris Kwasniewski, an eyewitness to the slaughter, says "I remember everything."

Kwasniewski, who had been a captain in the Polish army, spending much of the war as a guerrilla fighter in the forests, was stationed in Kielce the day of the pogrom.

He was a hardened soldier, a demolitions expert who had parachuted into his native Chmielnik region to blow up German trains, a war record that would later earn him an entry in the Encyclopedia Judaica. He was something of a hero to the Jews and a popular figure in town. But nothing had prepared him for the events in Kielce. It was bad enough that Jews had once lived in Kielce, but for the locals, it was worse that Jews had returned.

"I was awakened at 6 a.m. by a soldier who told me there was trouble brewing in town," Kwasniewski, 69, recalled in an interview with The CJN. "At the time there were in Kielce about 250 Jews, 95% of whom lived in the building at number 3 Plonten St., which was the address of the District Committee of the Polish Jewish community."

The Jews who had returned to Kielce were bloodied survivors; some came back from the Soviet Union, from occupied German territory or from hiding. They resurrected their community centre and tried to pick up the pieces of their shattered lives.

"I was told," Kwasniewski said, "that a Polish woman was running around in the street shouting that the Jews at number 3 Plonten St. were murdering Polish children in order to use their blood for the Passover matzoh."

The rumor spread like wildfire and soon, the local police commander, a known anti-semite, dispatched some men to search "the Jewish house."

Of course, the police found nothing, but by this time, a mob had assembled outside the building, convinced the Jews were practicing bizarre rituals. The police had orders not to use force to disperse the crowd, which began to get ugly.

Because of his popularity, Kwasniewski became the middle man in negotiations.

"About 10 o'clock, I received a phone call from Dr. Kahane, the president of the Jewish Committee of Kielce. He asked me to appeal to the bishop of Kielce to pacify the masses. The bishop declined. This was the same bishop who greeted the Nazis when they marched into Kielce in 1939."

The governor of Kielce region then told Kwasniewski that Kahane could be taken out of the building with an armed escort, if he wished. "Kahane refused the offer. As long as one Jew remained in the building, he said he would not leave.

"I got a second call from Kahane on the telephone. Just then, I heard a loud shot and a thud. Kahane was shot by a military officer (and killed). That was the signal for the slaughter."

Armed with rocks, iron bars and guns, the frenzied mob poured into the building yelling, "Death to the Jews!"

Within 45 minutes, 42 Jews were dead and dozens injured, many seriously.

"The government tried to suppress the news," recalls Kwasniewski. But within hours, Kielce was flooded with foreign journalists. The pogrom made the front pages of newspapers around the world, much to the embarrassment of the post-war Polish government.

Kwasniewski and others took the injured to hospital, where he claims that nuns, who were nurses, seized the wounded's jewelry. At the local hospital, more street thugs had gathered, shaking their fists and shouting for more violence. That proved too much for the young officer. Kwasniewski telephoned an old friend who ran an army training camp nearby. Within minutes, armed trainees scattered the pogromists but not before the hooligans dragged a Jewish mother and her child from a private house and shot them. The injured were moved to nearby Lodz on a guarded train.

Capt. Morris Kwasniewski in 1945.

After the dust settled, Kielce was placed under martial law. Those responsible for the pogrom — 10 men and one woman — were arrested, tried and found guilty. All were executed, except for one — the woman who sparked the savagery by shouting the Jews were killing Christian children.

Most of the remaining Jews of Kielce joined the Bricha movement, an underground operation that moved Jews out of Eastern European and Baltic countries into Israel. Kielcers got their wish: their town was Judenrein, clean of Jews.

As for Kwasniewski, Kielce was not where to be. He moved to the town of Brotslaw until 1957, when he moved to Israel. In 1960, he came to Toronto and ran a corner grocery. Eventually, he became president of the Chmielnicker Charitable Society.

He shakes his head slowly. To this day, 40 years later, Kwasniewski says, the massacre at Kielce, only months after the greatest slaughter in history, defies explanation.

Nazi suspect loses his battle

PHILADELPHIA (JTA) —

A 3-judge federal panel has ordered that a Lithuanian-born man accused of participating in Nazi atrocities against Jews, Juozas Kungys, be stripped of his United States citizenship.

The panel of the United States Court of Appeals for the Third District, said last week that Kungys, of Clifton, NJ, made material misrepresentations about his background when he immigrated in 1948 and obtained citizenship in 1954.

The ruling rejected a lower court's verdict in favor of Kungys. The Office of Special Investigations (OSI), a division of the justice department, had accused Kungys in 1981 of participating in the 1941 murder of more than 2,000 Jews in Nazi-occupied Kedainioi in Lithuania.

Kungys, who claimed he had been a victim of Nazi persecution, was also accused by the OSI of lying about his background so that he could enter the United States.

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WASHINGTON (JTA) —

A Mineola, Long Island man accused of murdering 20,000 Jews and other war crimes as a Nazi collaborator in his native Latvia during World War II, faces deportation to the Soviet Union following the U.S. Supreme Court's rejection recently of his final appeal.

The ruling ended a 10-year effort by the justice department's Office of Special Investigations (OSI) to deport Boleslavs Maikovskis, 82, who gained admission to the U.S. as a resident alien in 1951 by concealing his Nazi activities.

According to the justice department, "As chief of police he (Maikovskis) participated in assaults upon and murders of Jewish and other Latvian civilians, including arrests and execution of the inhabitants of Audrini and the burning of the village."

He also ordered the roundup of all Gypsies in his police precinct in Reekne province in Latvia, the justice department charged.

In 1965, Maikovskis was sentenced to death in absentia by a Soviet court for collaboration with the Nazis in the deaths of 20,000 Jews in Latvia.

Precautions taken, Rabin warns Syria

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin declared last week that Israel will take all necessary precautions against a potential attack by Syria next fall, possibly close to the 13th anniversary of the Yom Kippur War.

Rabin, addressing the annual meeting of the Jewish Agency Assembly here was responding to a report in the authoritative British weekly, Jane's Military, that Syria is planning to attack Israel next Oct. 14. It is the day after Yom Kippur and the date on which Yitzhak Shamir will take over as Prime Minister from Shimon Peres under the unity coalition government's rotation of power agreement.

Rabin said Israel would not contribute to any deterioration of the situation with Syria but would follow its defence policy which is based not solely on deterrence but on its ability to deliver a decisive blow to its enemies.

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Krentzman wants CZF as "central address"

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

Making the Canadian Zionist Federation the "central address" in this country for information on Israel is the No. 1 priority for the organization's new executive director.

Rabbi Meyer Krentzman, who replaced the late Leon Kronitz as the CZF's most senior professional in April, says the CZF should be the organization which first comes to mind when looking for programming ideas, speakers, films and any kind of fact about Israel. "This is not necessarily the case today," said Krentzman.

The CZF information bureau is being restructured in order that it will soon be able to reach this objective.

Readily accessible information on Israel, Krentzman believes, is an important step in encouraging Canadian Jews to identify with the State of Israel. The CZF will conduct a major membership campaign between September and February, part of a worldwide drive leading up to the next World Zionist Congress, which will likely be held in November, 1987.

Rabbi Meyer Krentzman

Krentzman spent the first days on his new job traveling to other communities: Toronto, Winnipeg, Edmonton and Vancouver, to spread the Zionist message. At the Canadian Jewish Congress Plenary Assembly in Toronto, he also met with members of Jewish communities in the Atlantic provinces.

"The goal is to have as many members of the community as possible declare themselves Zionists. I'm stressing that there are two ways of affiliating with the CZF: through one of the ideological groupings that are constituents of the CZF, or the more direct and neutral individual membership."

Although some leaders of the CZF have been looking to move away from partisan politics within the organization, Krentzman said he will work to strengthen both types of membership, and the wider the spectrum of possibilities for affiliation the better.

Personally, Krentzman, 41, said he subscribes to no political stream of Zionism. He is an Orthodox rabbi, and obviously so in kipa and tsitsis, but says this does not mean he leans towards the ideology of Israel's religious parties.

"I have quite deliberately never affiliated directly with any political group," the new executive director said.

Having someone who is seen as impartial at the helm of the organization is important for the CZF, he said.

From his student days, Krentzman knew he wanted a career in the Jewish community. He was born and grew up in Bridgeport, Conn., and attended Yeshiva College and the American Academy McAllister Institute in New York. Montreal's Chief Rabbi Pinchus Hirschprung ordained Krentzman in 1972.

Before coming to Montreal, Krentzman was an afternoon school teacher at three different synagogues in Bridgeport and an adviser to the National Conference of Synagogue Youth.

Krentzman moved to Montreal in 1970 to become the regional director of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations. A couple of years later, he was hired as executive administrator of Yeshiva Gedolah Merkaz Hatorah and lead Torah classes at Beth Zion Congregation.

Krentzman joined the staff of the Jewish Education Council of Greater Montreal, the city's board of Jewish education, at its inception in 1975 as program director. He served as its executive director for the next 10 years, guiding it through its establishment as a central coordinating body for Jewish education.

Krentzman has served as a consultant to the Quebec government on Jewish religious matters, and is the author of Jewish Laws and Customs of Mourning, to be published this year.

Before the last World Zionist Congress three years ago, the CZF membership stood at over 50,000. Krentzman believes that should and can be boosted significantly.

He hopes to establish a closer dialogue with the leadership of "non-Zionist" Jewish organizations, like Canadian Jewish Congress, B'nai B'rith and the federations, particularly on the question of the priority of aliya on the community agenda.

More attention should be paid to reaching small Jewish communities, according to Krentzman, and this is where the CZF's shlichim posted in those cities can play a greater role.

Krentzman's other plans include the creation of Zionist youth councils in Montreal and Toronto, to bring together the various Zionist youth movements as well as to reach out to unaffiliated youngsters. He promises to have youth representation on the regional and national executives of the CZF.

He also wants to arrive at a clear working relationship with the boards of Jewish education in Montreal, Toronto and Winnipeg, in order to avoid duplication of effort.

The CZF, he said, will work harder on the campuses to present Israel as a "serious alternative" for students thinking of their future. Krentzman will encourage more enrolment in Zionist camps and the expansion of scholarships to enable students to continue their education or spend the summer in Israel.

The Name Game

There's a story in almost every Jewish surname and Toronto lawyer FRED M. CATZMAN has been researching their origins over the past few years.

In a series of articles Mr. Catzman reports on his research. If you have any information relating to the origin and meaning of your surname, please pass it along to Fred M. Catzman, c/o The Canadian Jewish News, 562 Eglinton Ave. E., Toronto M4P 1P1.

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GASCO — LANDES

Isaac Gasco of Toronto writes on behalf of himself and a large Gasco family in Montreal that the name was probably adopted by Marranos who escaped from Spain to France.

GASCOGNE is a province in the south of France north of the Pyrenees which abutted Spain. It was accessible by water over the Golfe de Gascogne. Hence the surname GASCO.

Another French province adjoining Gascogne was Landes which may very well account for its popularity as a Jewish surname.

Stance on PLO clear, Young Liberal asserts

Price of recognition is acceptance of Israel

OTTAWA —

Despite the pro-PLO resolution passed by the Young Liberals of Canada (Quebec), (CJN June 19), Jonathan Schneiderman, a national vice-president of the Young Liberals, says in a letter to The Canadian Jewish News that his party's position remains clear: The PLO must recognize Israel.

The Quebec group's resolution will be presented at the national convention of the Young Liberals to be held in November in Ottawa.

Following is a text of Schneiderman's letter:

I think it necessary to reiterate the official policy of the Young Liberals of Canada vis-a-vis the Palestine Liberation Organization. At the last national convention of the Young Liberals of Canada held in November, 1983, the first resolution passed under the heading of "international issues" called on the government of Canada to ". . . refrain from actions which will tend to legitimize the actions of terrorist organizations like the PLO until such organizations renounce terrorism as a political tool."

This remains the position of the Young Liberals of Canada, and I am confident that it will continue as such given the very clear and unequivocal statements of Liberal Party leader John Turner.

During the 1984 election campaign as Prime Minister, Turner said, "I will state unequivocally that a Turner government would not recognize the PLO or consider upgrading contacts with the PLO as long as they refuse to renounce terrorism and they continue to refuse to recognize Israel and call for its destruction."

In February, 1985, Turner expanded upon his position by stating that "The preconditions for any group seeking to speak for the Palestinians must be the recognition of Israel's right to exist . . . I am very proud of the Liberal Party's tradition of support . . . for the right of Israel to exist behind secure and defensible borders.

"Our position dates back to the founding of Israel in 1948, and is just as strong today as it was then. I want to reaffirm to you today that there will be no change to that position while I am leader of this party."

The Canadian Jewish community can be assured, given John Turner's unqualified and categorical statements, that the Liberal Party of Canada will continue to support a strong and secure State of Israel and call for a peaceful and negotiated settlement to the conflict in the Middle East.

Keren Hayesod honors Joe Ain

JERUSALEM —

Joe Ain of Montreal received Keren Hayesod's 1986 Dr. Israel Goldstein Award for Distinguished Leadership in a ceremony recently in the Knesset.

Knesset Speaker Shlomo Hillel attended the ceremony chaired by United Israel Appeal — Keren Hayesod world chairman Dr. Avraham Avi-Hai. Mendel Kaplan, chairman of Keren Hayesod's world board of trustees, presented the prize.

In his remarks, Hillel acknowledged the passing of Goldstein, who died last April, describing the former Keren Hayesod chairman as a "great Zionist leader who led by example."

The Speaker praised Ain's long-time involvement in Jewish communal affairs in Montreal, and called him a Jewish leader "truly worthy of this prize."

Joe Ain

Established in 1976, the Goldstein Prize is awarded annually to a Diaspora leader for outstanding work on behalf of Keren Hayesod and world Jewry. This year's presentation is the first since Goldstein's death.

Ain is the third Canadian to win the prize.

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Laughing through tears helps Jews face adversity

By
NADINE JOSEPH

NEW YORK (Special) —
Why do Jews laugh? To keep from crying.

After thousands of years of having almost everyone in history nipping at our heels, humor has become an indispensable Jewish form of self-defence.

And would't you know it, now the scholars have gotten hold of Jewish humor to dissect it, analyze it and, it is hoped, laugh at it.

The Second International Conference on Jewish Humor, held here recently, drew some 60 mavens from seven countries, including anthropologists, psychologists and educators. For four days, they came together at New York's School for Social Research to tell Jewish jokes.

But seriously folks, this was serious business.

Every joke had not only a punchline, but a history. Every funnybone was dissected, every laugh analyzed.

Of course, you don't have to be an expert to understand Jewish humor. Anyone who has ever heard a Jewish joke will detect that familiar ring. Laughing at the travails of the human condition has been the hallmark of Jewish humor for hundreds, perhaps thousands of years. The ultimate victory of intellect over pain, Jewish humor may help account for Jewish survival in the face of discrimination, ghetto life, pogroms and extermination.

"Jews use humor to fend off adversity," explained New York's resident Jewish wit, Mayor Ed Koch, who opened the conference. Even on a recent trip to China, Koch's hosts wanted to hear Jewish jokes. No doubt hizzoner complied.

The conference was the brainchild of Tel Aviv University psychologist Avner Ziv, who first became interested in Jewish humor while studying anxiety among Israeli schoolchildren who had been confined to bomb shelters during wartime. "Some kids acted like magnets, attracting others to them. I learned there were some kids who can take a situation and joke about," Ziv said. To him, Jewish humor is an important psychological function — to see absurdity in tragic conditions.

"Laughing through tears is a cry for survival. You are saying in effect, 'I can take it. I can go on surviving.'"

A group of scientists discovers a great flood will engulf the world in a few days. The Pope tells his people, "Repent and you will go to heaven." The Buddhists say, "Contemplate and you will achieve nirvana." The Chief Rabbi says, "My friends, we have three days to learn to live underwater."

That's a how a Jew deals with disaster, Ziv says. When tragedy strikes, if you can't do anything else, you laugh.

There were panels on underground Soviet Jewish humor, the traditional humor of Shalom Aleichem, Yiddish and Sephardic humor, the development of Israeli political jokes and even humor that came out of the most unthinkable Jewish tragedy of all time, the Holocaust.

The scholars also discussed self-deprecating humor — one of the hallmarks of Jewish humor, which tries to fulfil the quest for acceptance — and Jewish American Princess (JAP) jokes, first heard in the 70s and currently making a comeback.

How many JAPs does it take to change a lighbulb? Two — one to get a Diet Pepsi and the other to call Daddy.

If Tarzan and Jane were Jewish, what would Cheeta be? A fur coat.

An old Jewish woman goes to her lawyer to make out her will. "When I die," she says, "I want to be cremated and I want the ashes scattered in Nieman Marcus." "Why?" asks the lawyer. "Well," the woman responds, "that way, I know my daughter will visit me once a week."

Is the JAP joke anti-feminist, the scholars asked, or is it a signal of the growing trend of intermarriage? The outcome was inconclusive, but it was agreed the JAP joke is unusually cynical.

And they analyzed Jewish American Mother jokes, Lenny Bruce, Alan King, Myron Cohen, Art Buchwald, Woody Allen, Joan Rivers, Erica Jong, etc. Said psychiatrist Samuel Janus, who has interviewed most of the top U.S. comics, "It's not a mere coincidence that most of the big-name comedians are Jewish. The position of American Jews — the uncertainty, anxiety, warding off hostility — helps produce comedians."

Or as writer Philip Roth put it, Jewish humor "restores the oy in goy and reinvests the id in Yid."

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What is identified in literature as Jewish humor originated in the 19th century in Eastern Europe. The Jews were a marginal society, targeted for hatred by the ruling Christian majority, and they coped with humor in their writings.

When Eastern European Jews arrived in America, they brought their humor with them and this led to what jokester Leo Rosten calls the "Yiddishization of English."

Bernstein goes to a Chinese restaurant and to his disbelief, the Chinese waiter speaks perfect Yiddish. As he leaves to pay his bill, Bernstein asks the owner how the waiter learned to speak fluent Yiddish. "Shh..." the owner whispers, "he thinks we're teaching him English."

As for Israeli humor today, it is usually biting satire, and pokes fun at the bureaucracy, the politics and institutions.

"We seem to have forgotten," Ziv noted, "that laughing through tears is a good thing."

Explodes on Tel Aviv bus

5 hurt in bomb blast

TEL AVIV (AP) —
A bomb exploded on a bus in Tel Aviv Monday, slightly wounding five people.

There was no immediate claim of responsibility, but Israel Army Radio said 80 Palestinians had been rounded up.

The medium-sized bomb, wrapped in a plastic bag, was placed at the back of the bus running between the suburb of Petah Tikvah and Tel Aviv's central bus station, police official Aryeh Bibi said.

It exploded about 6.30 a.m., before the morning rush hour.

Nahum Hershko, one of those hurt, said, "There was a powerful blast and then smoke . . . I don't hear in both ears, and was also hurt in my legs."

Bibi, head of the Yarkon police district, said a number of Palestinians from the Israeli-occupied territories were detained for questioning.

"We hope the culprit will be among them," he said on Israel Army Radio.

Around midnight Sunday, a small gasoline bomb was hurled at a bus near Jerusalem, slightly wounding a woman, Israel radio said. Police said they had no suspects in the attack.

Arab link suspected in Madrid bombing

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tacks on Rome and Vienna airports, which killed 19 people, said a third attack was planned for Madrid the same day.

Special precautions were also taken after Spain established diplomatic ties with Israel Jan. 17.

The last Arab-linked attack in Madrid occurred in April 1985, when a bomb exploded at a steakhouse frequented by American soldiers. Eighteen people were killed and 82 injured.

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TEL AVIV (JTA) —
President Chaim Herzog last week accused Europe of "lack of guts, lack of decision and lack of leadership" in the fight against international terrorism.

In an Israel radio interview he was asked to comment on the terrorist attempt against an El Al plane at Madrid airport.

Herzog said that a start had been made at international cooperation against terrorism, but that much more should be done. "It is a very simple case of lack of guts, lack of decision and lack of leadership in many of the (European) countries," he said.

Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin also attacked the European countries for not giving sufficient support to President Reagan in his actions against Libya for the part Muammar Gadhafi's playing in world terrorism.

The Mapam newspaper Al Hamishmar quoted Jerusalem sources as saying that the Arab terrorist injured and caught in the Madrid attack was a former resident of Nazareth, who has been living in Spain for the past 10 years.

Israel in ILO

JERUSALEM (JTA) —
Israel was admitted last week as a full member of the European bloc of the ILO, with the support of the Arab members and the abstention of the Communist countries. Moshe Katzav, minister of labor and welfare, reported at the end of the ILO convention in Geneva.

No country voted against.

Katzav reported that initially, the Europeans did not want to give Israel rights of voting, but after pressure by the U.S. they consented. The Arabs supported Israel's admission to the European bloc, because they wanted to get Israel out of the Asian bloc.

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Religious-secular violence condemned

Strife pains Orthodox groups

NEW YORK (JTA) —
Four major Orthodox Jewish organizations in North America issued a joint statement last week expressing their "profound sense of pain and anguish" at recent outbursts of violence arising from religious-secular tensions in Israel, which came to a bitter head recently when anti-religious extremists desecrated several synagogues and their sacred contents (CJN June 19, 26).

The presidents of the organizations decried violence from any side, in accord with the proclamations of the entire spectrum of Orthodox groups in Israel, while laying blame for the current crisis on anti-religious elements who, they charged, were waging a campaign to erode the "status quo" — a term commonly used to describe the pattern of coexistence worked out by religious and secular Jews in Israel at the establishment of the state.

Agudath Israel of America, National Council of Young Israel, Rabbinical Council of America, and the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America, declared in the unusual joint declaration:

"Unfettered violence is not justifiable, even for noble causes. And now, the ugly and violent strife has escalated from both sides until it has led to the unthinkable — the desecration of synagogues, books of Torah, and sacred religious articles at the hands of Jewish men and women, a tragedy of unspeakable proportions."

"We cannot ignore the fact that there are deep and serious divisions regarding the character of society in Israel," the statement continued. "But some overriding observations must be kept in clear perspective:

"Religious and secular Jews in Israel have managed to live together in one society since the founding of the state by establishing a pattern of coexistence . . . commonly known as the status quo, that was designed to guarantee and pressure the fundamentals of the religious population and their deeply held sensibilities."

"And now a distinct and unmistakable campaign is being waged by anti-religious circles in Israel today to upset this fragile arrangement," the Orthodox groups charged, pointing to specific instances that generated current tensions:

"The callous display of provoctive public posters and the opening of theatres on the Sabbath in Petach Tikva and elsewhere are two cases — both in clear violation of the law — where a wilful attempt has been perpetrated to break down the existing modus vivendi and flagrantly doing violence to the most sensitive feeling of religious Jewry."

The declaration added that "the horrible desecration of synagogues, yeshivas and sacred objects, even though perpetrated by a non-representative radical fringe, can in no way be equated with the destruction of some bus shelters, acted out by several misguided hotheads."

The Orthodox groups scored what they identified as "an ongoing attack in the public media against religious Jews" and added: "It is also regrettable that an insidious media campaign is being conducted to indict the entire Orthodox Jewish community for the irresponsible acts of the isolated few, particularly since such deeds have been condemned by all Orthodox groups in Israel."

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DIARY ...of a People

By DAVID BIRKAN

German philosopher Herman Cohen was born July 4, 1842. The renowned rationalist capped a long career by positing the absolute unity of God and mankind as expressed in Judaism's system of morals and ethics — a God that can never be known, he said, only loved.

The enlightenment and science that ignited the Western world in the 19th century originated in Germany. Judaism underwent changes unprecedented since the animal sacrifice system was disbanded with the fall of the Temple in 70 CE. Sampson Raphael Hirsch explored the unplumbed philosophic depths of Halacha. The latter was largely abandoned altogether by Reform in its efforts to rid Judaism of practices deemed alien to those of contemporary Western man.

German academia sparkled with the contributions of its Jewish members, admitted in small but rising numbers after Moses Mendelssohn paved the way. Elegant literary salons established by socially aspiring Jews, which made English clubs and coffee houses gathering places for dullards by comparison, facilitated intellectual and artistic pollination among the country's brightest minds.

Cohen, the son of a cantor, abandoned rabbinic studies at Breslau's Jewish Theological Seminary for the pursuit of pure philosophy. In 1873, he was invited by F. A. Lange, author of History of Materialism, to lecture at the prestigious University of Marburg. In three years, he was appointed full professor.

For the next 36 years, Cohen developed glittering critiques of Immanuel Kant and Plato. Cohen's division of philosophy into three branches paralleling the three basic modes of consciousness — logic, for thought; ethics, for will and action; and esthetics, for feeling — was hailed as a brilliant insight. The university became known as the Marburg School of neo-Kantism. Among those drawn to study under him was a young law student from Russia, Boris Pasternak.

Cohen was summoned to his sources early on at Marburg. Political historian Heinrich von Treitschke attacked Judaism as "the national religion of an alien race," a slap in the face for all German Jews and in retrospect a harbinger of things to come. In response, Cohen emphasized Jeans' assimilation in society as a whole "with no dual allegiance;" at the same time, he urged them to cultivate their Judaism.

In another contemporary version of a classic disputation, Cohen was called upon to defend an accusation by a public school teacher that the Talmud instructs Jews to suspend the Torah's ethical strictures in dealings with non-Jews, and to cheat and rob them instead. He answered that Israel was chosen to love the stranger and together to express the unity of mankind under God.

Cohen's view of God developed dramatically: from a presupposition, to the distant centre of the physical and ethical universe, to the "Father of man and the shield and aid of the poor. The love of God," he wrote in 1914, in his Concept of Religion in the System of Knowledge, "shall exceed all knowledge." He adds: "A man's consciousness is completely filled when he loves God. Therefore this knowledge, which absorbs all others, is no longer merely knowledge, but love . . . I cannot love God without devoting my whole heart to my fellow men."

Cohen left his Marburg tower physically as well as intellectually. At age 70, he gave up his post to teach at the Jewish Hochshule in Berlin. Two years later, he went to Poland to try and establish a centre of higher learning for Jews barred from the country's universities. He traveled extensively, reveling in the lives of his newly discovered brethren in Vilna and Warsaw.

Near the end of his life, Cohen synthesized his former teachings with the living Judaism that he witnessed. While stressing Judaism's ethical and moral aspects, he described the mitzvot as both a law from God and a duty on the part of man. With the "yoke of the commandments," man acknowledges the "kingdom of God" and paves the way for the messianic ideal.

Ottawa to receive results

BB plans survey on get problem

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

A committee operating under B'nai B'rith auspices will conduct a survey this month to determine the number of incidents nationwide of spouses refusing to grant consent for a Jewish divorce.

The telephone survey will ask a cross-section of up to 50 family law lawyers, rabbis and social workers who deal with the problem to enumerate known cases of spouses withholding consent for a get — a divorce under Jewish law — or demanding financial compensation in return for granting a get.

The results will be forwarded to lawyers in the federal justice department who are investigating the legal and factual questions surrounding the issue, said Ellen Kachuk, director of public affairs of B'nai B'rith Canada.

According to John Syrtash, the lawyer who represented a coalition of Jewish and women's groups in Ontario hearings on gets and family law reform, the study could be used in court to show the problem is substantial, with the result that an argument could be raised that legislation to deal with it is a justifiable infringement on religious rights.

The survey was prompted by a query from the justice department following meetings between those advocating changes to federal divorce legislation and department lawyers.

A question in an April 3 letter from Martin Low, general counsel, human rights/law section of the department of justice to Syrtash asked: "Is there data on Jewish (spouses) making use of the get requirement as a bargaining tool in maintenance, custody or matrimonial property disputes, or simply refusing to cooperate in the granting of a get out of spite? Have there been any objective statistical or other studies undertaken which could indicate the scope of the difficulty in Canada?"

Kachuk said she and Syrtash met with justice department lawyers to inform them of the need for reforms to the federal Divorce Act to help ease the plight of spouses who are unable to obtain a get.

The proposals submitted by Syrtash and BB are modeled on those passed by the Ontario Legislature (CJN Jan. 23) which came into effect on March 1. The provincial law contains sections which require spouses applying for, or responding to an application for property division or financial support to complete a statement saying they had "removed all barriers...that would prevent the other spouse's remarriage."

The coalition is pushing for changes to federal law to supplement the provincial legislation. Federal legislation regulates divorce, custody and support, while provincial law deals with property rights and support.

Syrtash said the federal proposals apply only to those who petition for divorce, not to those who merely file a defence to a petition, unless they also ask for relief from the court.

He said a letter from Emmett Cardinal Carter to Justice Minister John Crosbie states "We support the amendments originally proposed by B'nai B'rith and the Toronto Council of Orthodox Rabbis," subject to certain conditions. The conditions do not impinge on the original amendments, Syrtash said.

He added that a verbal endorsement from an expert in Islamic law also supports the proposals since it could come into play in marital difficulties between Moslems.

Kachuk said the committee conducting the survey is comprised of herself, Syrtash, Leo Davids, sociology professor at York University, lawyer Judith Holtzman and Gitti Mizrachi, a BB summer student. She said they expect their reply will be ready by July 30.

Other questions raised in the justice department letter ask whether the problem is the same for Jewish husbands and wives and whether federal legislation would be considered as coercing the granting of a get, and therefore be invalid.

Similar questions were raised by committee members at the Ontario hearings into family law reform late last year.

CJC hopes schools law will "smooth the way"

TORONTO —

The Ontario provincial parliament last week approved legislation to extend full funding to Roman Catholic schools over the next three years.

Bill 30 was given third reading with only Progressive Conservative MPP Norm Sterling casting a dissenting vote. Despite the near unanimity of all three parties, passage of the bill remained controversial with supporters and opponents saying they would challenge at least portions of it in court.

Fighting on two levels

Rev. Carl Matthews, chairman of the Metro Toronto Separate School Board, said the board would take its opposition to the Supreme Court of Canada (SCC). The Board opposes one aspect of the bill that would see, in 10 years, removal of the right of separate schools to favor the hiring of Catholic teachers over others.

The Metro Toronto School Board, along with the Ontario Jewish Association for Equity in Education, a committee of Canadian Jewish Congress, is challenging the legislation under the Constitution's Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

OJAEE chairman Murray Segal said Congress's position is that Bill 30 discriminates by extending funding to Catholic Schools while excluding Jewish and other schools.

Segal told The CJN that OJAEE "supports passage of the bill and we believe the Roman Catholics are entitled to full funding of their separate school system. We hope this smooths the way for funding for other bona fide independent school systems operated by Jewish and other religious communities."

Congress will repeat the arguments presented to the Ontario Court of Appeal (and rejected by the court in a 3-2 decision) "that while the Roman Catholics are entitled (to government funding), a similar treatment (is warranted) to other religious communities," Segal said.

OJAEE was continuing to fight for government funding on two levels, Segal added: the legal and the political.

Segal said OJAEE recently met with the editorial board of the Toronto Star to explain its position and a meeting with the Globe and Mail is planned soon. Also on the agenda are meetings with teachers' groups and the religious leadership in other communities.

Bill 30 will see the province begin financing grades 11-13 of the Catholic separate schools beginning in September at a cost of $120 million. Passage of the bill was aided by an Ontario Court of Appeal decision in February that ruled the bill does not contravene provisions of the Charter despite it granting government funding only to Catholic schools.

VACATION TIME

It's almost vacation time again for the staff of The CJN and we'll be closing down for two weeks so our staffers can enjoy an uninterrupted holiday.

Our offices will be closed from July 21 to Aug. 5, which means we will not be publishing the issues of July 31 and Aug. 7.

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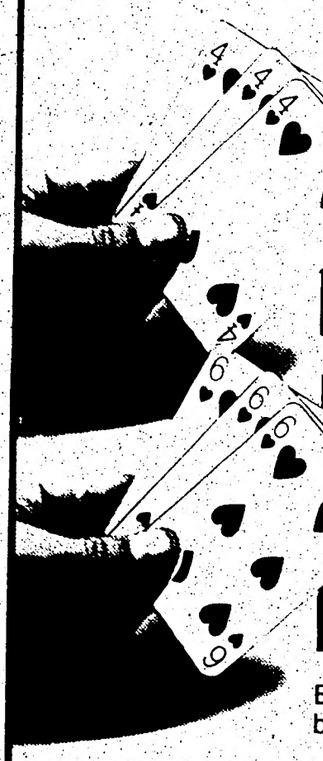

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Editorial

Many blessings

It is 119 years ago that Confederation brought together the founding provinces of this great dominion we call Canada.

Although it was not until 1949 (when Newfoundland became part of Canada) that Canada's current federal configuration took its final shape this country has, for more than a century, stood for the best in democratic values.

On the occasion of Canada Day it is appropriate to reflect on the many blessings which have accrued to the citizens of Canada.

We are a nation blessed by a wealth of natural resources that are the envy of the world. Our lakes and streams, our mines and woodlands, our fishing facilities and our boating areas make Canada a magnet for industry and recreation.

Despite the fact that we live along side the American colossus, we Canadians have managed to hold together a distinctive national ethos.

Because of our industrial potential, our stable government and the relative calmness of our political discourse, Canada has become a focus for immigrants from all over the world wishing to share in this nation's economic prosperity and political freedom.

We are not, of course, a country free of defects. Our native population is still struggling for its rightful place in the sun; French-speaking Quebecers remain skittish about the preservation of their linguistic and cultural rights in Confederation. Our youth population, as Senator Jacques Hebert so eloquently stated during his recent hunger strike, does not have the employment possibilities one might expect from a nation as rich as ours.

These are only some of the serious problems facing Canada. We know, however, that our parliamentarians and our civil servants on the federal and provincial levels are aware of these inequties and are working hard to alleviate them.

Canada Day is an occasion to look back at the great strides Canada has made in melding a diverse population into a great national reservoir — and at the same time, to look forward to even greater moments in our collective future.

Rabbinic stress

The Rabbinical Council of America recently held its annual meeting in Baltimore. This is the organization representing American Orthodox rabbis, and their meeting consisted of study sessions, learned papers and discussions of the rabbinic metier.

The most controversial part of the conference was a document prepared by Dr. Leslie Freedman, a clinical psychologist from New York City (CJN June 19).

For six years Dr. Freedman has been working with 325 Orthodox rabbis from the RCA to study the incidences of work-related stress among the group.

The results of the study, conducted in anonymity, were disconcerting. He reported that 97% of the Orthodox rabbis studied in his project indicated that they were suffering from moderate to serious stress. Over 20% reported that the stress was serious enough to interfere with their pastoral and other work in the rabbinate.

During the discussion of the paper, a number of reasons emerged to explain the current malaise he identified among Orthodox rabbis.

Freedman himself believes that a major factor is the dramatic shift in the locus of power within the American Jewish community. The power base, he said, now lies primarily with wealthy laymen. Rabbis, traditionally identified with major national Jewish organizations, have been eclipsed and pushed to the periphery.

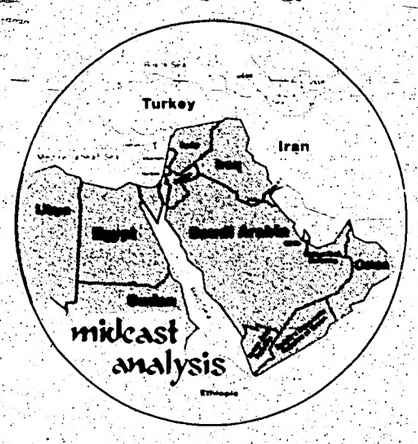
That, however, is only one of the work-related stress factors. A number of rabbis at the discussion felt that that pressure on the part of congregants to de-emphasize rigorous religious observance was also stressful.

One of Freedman's most significant revelations, however, was that there is no appreciable difference between the stress suffered by Orthodox rabbis and their colleagues in the Conservative, Reform and Reconstructionist communities.

It is important that Dr. Freedman's study has now been released. The rabbinical organizations, having been apprised of their members' anxieties, will now be able to take some concrete steps to alleviate the problems — where possible.

Benvenisti sees conflicting, confusing values

The transformation of Israel



By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

In their understandable haste to get on with the sheer business of living in so vital and frenetic a society as Israel, Israelis rarely have time to pause and reflect about the passage of time.

There is much to ponder. Israel, just having marked its 38th anniversary, is a nation in transition. In nearly every respect, Israel has changed since the advent of statehood. Most obviously, the non-materialistic pioneering elan has given way to rampant American-style consumerism, and secular humanism has been undermined by nationalistic and religious fundamentalism.

Israel's transformation has not come about without problems. Like a child who has blossomed into adulthood, Israel has experienced growing pains.

Meron Benvenisti has watched its growth as closely as anyone. And, as a historian and former deputy mayor of Jerusalem under Teddy Kollek, he is as well qualified as anyone can be to comment on the Israel that has emerged since the War of Independence. Furthermore, he is a Sabra who straddles three cultures. His father is Greek, his mother Lithuanian. And he is a quintessential Israeli Jew, the end product of a liberal, humane education.

In *Conflicts And Contradictions (Villard Books, $15.95)*, Benvenisti deals with a great many topics, often through the prism of his own experiences. And he is brutally frank in describing himself and his generation.

He grew up under the British mandate, a time of mounting turbulence, and formed his world view in the 1950s when the socialistic kibbutz ethos was still very strong . Benvenisti, as the title of his book suggests, was raised amid conflicting, confusing values bequeathed to him by the older generation, many of whose members were born in the Diaspora.

As he puts it: "We were told to repudiate their past yet to cherish it; to be natives of the land and yet regard it as a mystical entity; to dedicate ourselves to manual labor yet to finish university; to be professional warriors yet humanists; to be better Jews yet to identify with Diaspora Jews; to be secular yet traditional; to speak a new language that alienated us from world literature yet to maintain links with Western culture."

Benvenisti, having been brought up on a philosophy which, he says, emphasized social justice and a contempt for middle class values, laments that his generation has, to a great extent, simply abandoned the struggle for a society based on the precepts of "humanistic socialism."

The kibbutz, the ideal of his youth, continues to contribute more than its share of outstanding leaders and creative people, he allows. However, kibbutzniks no longer think of themselves as an elite "capable of transforming" Israel.

To be sure, Benvenisti thinks that the leftist pioneering spirit that animated Israel in its early years has had little impact on the population at large. "...it is too painful for us to admit to ourselves that we have no answers or solutions for the problems confronting us today," he writes. "Our old ideology is still reflexive, instinctive, yet (does not) sustain us... It became fossilized, and our vanguard elitism has degenerated into sheer snobbery."

Benvenisti, who of late has published a series of statistical studies showing how the West Bank has been integrated into Israel, contends that the vision of creating a just society has been superseded by the vision of settling the territories conquered in the Six Day War.

"We are obsessed with security; the perception of every hostile act as a threat to the very existence of the state underlies the Israeli sense of insecurity. Our self-image is a curious mixture of arrogant confidence and profound vulnerability."

The contradictions he detects in his fellow Israelis he finds in the Labor Party, his political abode.

In the wake of the Six Day War, he explains, Labor was unable to resolve the contradictions between its nationalistic, security-oriented objectives and its humanistic-socialist values. And Arab rejection of a compromise settlement exacerbated them.

The party, Benvenisti adds, stumbled into "a classic colonial situation" in the occupied territories about which its leaders had warned.

Likud, which gained power in 1977, dropped "all pretenses" of a temporary occupation. "They were occupiers with a clear conscience."

In elaborating on their differences vis-a-vis the occupied areas, Benvenisti observes: "(Labor) wavered, torn between conflicting ideological imperatives, preferring indecision... keeping the options open. (Likud) was unequivocable and acted to make the inequities permanent."

As deputy mayor of Jerusalem, Benvenisti achieved a reputation as a conciliator, though some Israelis doubted his patriotism because he sometimes bent over backwards to accommodate its Arab residents.

Meron Benvenisti
...author of Conflicts and Contradictions

Clearly, he is dismayed by these developments. "Our socialistic ideals are replaced by intense fundamentalist, religious ideology... Our nationalism was a secular, rational concept. 'New Zionism' is messianic deliverance, which coincides with the extension of our borders to include the whole of biblical Eretz Israel..."

In comparing the Jewish settlers who've populated the West Bank with those who set up camp throughout Israel before 1967, Benvenisti notes that "the content is totally different, but the form and appearance are not so different."

Like their predecessors, today's settlers wear the same army surplus fatigues, use the same Hebrew jargon and display the same simple, warm, nonchalant mannerisms. Benvenisti also detects the same "sense of elitism, the same contempt for the petit-bourgeois flavor of urban life and the ravages of a consumer society that we felt."

To Benvenisti, Israel's post-1967 settlers use the "brilliant exterior and attractive contours" of the old pioneering ideology "to justify repugnant policies and immoral actions."

Israel's smashing victory in the Six Day War, combined with the Arabs' profound shock at losing, led Israel to mistakenly believe that the retention of territories was compatible with the realization of peace, he observes.

According to Benvenisti, the Palestinians have assumed the traditional Jewish role of "a threatened minority." And yet, he points out, the Israelis have been unable to shed that image.

For Benvenisti, Jerusalem is symbolically important, representing, as it does, certain Israeli and Arab national/ emotional interests. It is, he claims, "the key to peace."

He regrets that this polyglot city is held together by force, but he doubts whether Jerusalem, like Belfast, will be riven by armed ethnic confrontation. Still, he warns, the situation remains "very volatile."

In closing Conflicts And Contradictions, Benvenisti refers to the tendency by both sides in the Arab-Israeli dispute to draw up maps of the Middle East which erase either Jewish or Arab nameplaces.

Speaking as an Israeli, and as the son of a geographer who practiced this method, he maintains that it is impossible to erase the Palestinian presence in Israel, "no matter how hard people try."

Like an Old Testament prophet, he asks: "Are we ready to merge the two maps? Are we ready to stop eradicating each other's names?"

Once Israelis (and Arabs) have the courage to ask these questions, he says, they may be able to resolve the conflicts and contradictions which beset them.

It is clear that not all Israelis agree with Benvenisti's assumptions or share his values. Nevertheless, at a time when so much is in flux in Israel, his philosophical musings at least merit attention, if not actual agreement.

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Opinion

Poem on Statue of Liberty has become immortal

Lazarus' voice rose like a trumpet for her people

By
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NEW YORK —

Beginning on July 3, there will be four days of celebration throughout the United States, commemorating the 100th anniversary of the dedication of the Statue of Liberty. Led by Lee Iacocca, a refurbished Statue of Liberty, gracing New York's harbor, will pay tribute to the millions of immigrants that passed by this symbol of freedom to enter the United States. However, not all are aware that the words on the base of "the lady with the lamp" were written by a Jewish woman poet, Emma Lazarus. Her story is a fascinating one.

Emma Lazarus was born on July 22, 1849, in New York City, into a Jewish family that traced its ancestry back to Portugal. The Lazarus family considered themselves "Jewish nobility" superior to the Jews of Eastern Europe. Although the Sabbath and the Jewish holy days were observed, the Lazaruses viewed themselves as thoroughly American and were more interested in the Civil War and American politics than persecuted Jews.

Emma Lazarus was educated at home by private tutors, as was typical of affluent families during that era. She was a sensitive spirit and tended to be introverted. She showed interest in music, the German poems of Heine and English literature. Her earliest poems dealt with sorrowfulness and longing and were dedicated to a young man whose name we do not know.

In 1867 her first book entitled *Poems and Translations* was published. She met the foremost poet of that time, Ralph Waldo Emerson, at a gathering and he asked her for a copy of the book. Following that, they became friends and he served as her advisor. Her next work *Admetus*, a mythological story, was dedicated to him. Emerson's correspondence with Emma Lazarus is treasured in the manuscript room of the library of Columbia University.

The esteemed Berlin rabbi, Gustav Gottheil, was called to the prestigious pulpit of Temple Emanu-El, on Fifth Ave. in New York, in 1873. As he began his rabbinic career there, he decided to create a new prayer book which would draw upon the richness of the English language. He read Emma Lazarus' poem entitled *In the Jewish Synagogue at Newport*. Soon he invited her to join him in his beloved project. She was evasive and seemed to balk at becoming a "Jewish writer."

Statue of Liberty
...by illustrator John Hapgood

But, in the beginning of the 1880s, a wave of persecutions occurred in Russia that traumatized Emma Lazarus and turned her into a "Jewish writer." As a member of the Jewish Welfare Committee, she went to Ward's Island to welcome persecuted Jews. There she saw all occupations of Jews represented: the peddler who spoke Yiddish, the big merchant, the engineer, the tavern keeper, the university professor, the doctor, the lawyer — all Jews. The only possessions they had were wrapped in a small bundle.

When she returned home, she could not sleep. She was haunted by people who had nothing material left except what they could gather in a scarf or a kerchief. She responded with a poem, *Songs of a Semite* which was destined to stir thousands. What she saw on Ward's Island, the pitiful mass of humanity brought low, the innocent misery of Jewish refugees, made a new person and poet out of her.

Emma Lazarus' voice rose like a trumpet and her accusations were powerful and direct:

When the long roll of Christian guilt
Against his sires and kin is known,
The flood of tears, the life-blood split,
The agony of ages shown,
What oceans can the stain remove,
From Christian law and Christian love?

But, she did not merely accuse, she inspired fellow Jews to stand up for their brothers and sisters. She appealed to the memories of Jewish heroics and Jewish courage. Her moving words were best expressed in a work entitled *The Banner of the Jew*. Let her words speak for her:

Wake, Israel, wake! Recall today
The glorious Maccabean rage,
Say not the mystic flame is spent!
Your ancient strength remains unbent,
Let but an Ezra rise anew,
To lift the Banner of the Jew!

Dipping into Jewish history, her poems became polemical and forceful. Emma Lazarus did not merely play the intellectual but agonized and attended mass meetings on behalf of persecuted Russian Jews. To her the Jewish question became the issue of humanity itself. When Jews were defamed in an article in the popular magazine Century, Emma Lazarus answered it point by point with fire and brimstone. She counter-thrusted the old nonsense that there were "two kinds of Jews" — good and bad. For her all Jews were one. She thoroughly demolished the anti-semitism of the original article.

Emma Lazarus now emerged from the shy young lady and learned to write with speed, vigor and assurance. She grew closer to her Jewish roots, even espousing an early form of Zionism. She wrote a play about the persecution of Jews in medieval Germany.

But, in May of 1883 at the age of 34, her strength began to fail. She tried a trip to Europe, but it soon became clear that her days were limited by cancer. When Emma returned to New York, she found a strange request.

She received an appeal from a committee that was planning to set up, on Bedloe Island in New York harbor, a colossal statue, "Liberty Enlightening the World." Some decades earlier two Frenchmen had conceived the idea of this statue, Laboulaye, the statesman, and Auguste Bartholdi, the sculptor. The idea behind this planned gift was to symbolize France's true friendship for America.

The request that she write a sonnet to be placed on the base of this statue came from the chairman of the committee, her old friend William M. Evarts. In the last week of November, 1883, Emma Lazarus wrote 14 lines that have become immortal.

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Is the imprisoned lightning, and her name
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The air-bridged harbor that twin cities frame.
"Keep, ancient lands, your storied pomp!" cries she
With silent lips. "Give me your tired, your poor,
Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free,
The wretched refuse of your teeming shore,
Send these, the homeless, tempest-tost to me,
I lift my lamp beside the golden door!"

Emma Lazarus lived to read that President Cleveland unveiled the Statue of Liberty containing her words, on Oct. 28, 1886. Nine months later, she died. During the interim, she wrote her last Jewish poem citing Maimonides, Judah Halevi, Ibn Ezra and Ibn Gabriol. She was drawn to her people for faith and comfort.

This July the Statue of Liberty bearing her immortal words expressing the soul of America will celebrate its centenary. After that around Bedloe Island the winds will sing, the waves slap and the seagulls scream. But, for the millions of immigrants who passed by the lady holding the torch of freedom and the lady who wrote words welcoming the "tired," the "poor," the "huddled," and the "tempest-tost" will not be forgotten. They will remain as a tribute to the land of freedom and the memory of Emma Lazarus — a Jewish woman.

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Believing that the magic not in permanent eclipse

By
ELAINE KAHN

All the important men in my life are, or have been, devotees of classical music — with the exception of my father, to whom I owe an occasional nostalgic impulse to put Latin steel band music, if I owned any, on the stereo.

My "music of choice" is, without a doubt, the music of Broadway and movies. I am trying to learn to admit this without embarrassment . . . especially around men.

All in all, though, music is, unfortunately, an alluring foreign language I have little hope of mastering, although buying a piano for the kids and then taking lessons myself in order to learn the language, is an ever-present fantasy. Perhaps I prefer music with lyrics because I can understand how magic is woven with words, even if I have not yet learned to control that magic myself. The magic of music, how a composer thinks, is beyond me.

And, for the moment, I am relatively content just to listen to that magic and not ask how it is done. Any kind of music, except country and western. And, if all classical music sounds very much the same to me, that doesn't lessen its power or magic.

Recently, I was privileged to listen to a string trio perform Schubert, Beethoven and Mozart in a private home — a UJA event that succeeded in being something out of a movie — drawing room elegance and all. Even at such close range to the musicians, I had no idea how the sounds were really being produced by the instruments, how the performers could blend so well, what made what do what and when. I "merely" let it wash over me!

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Over coffee, I spoke with a young woman who told me her Hadassah chapter had changed its name to honor the memory of one its members who died. "She was the first of us to go," the woman said, briefly.

Only a month earlier, I had lost the friend with whom I had most been able to share my passion for plays and movies. For days after he died, I was unable even to read the entertainment news in the paper.

Peter was the first of us to go. And Peter was a magician. An excellent magician, who infected me with an appreciation of all the things that, even as a child, I thought childish — puppetry, mime, storytelling, juggling. Who not only entertained, but taught me a great deal about how to be entertained. . . .

About truly appreciating how hard it is for any performer, from the ridiculous to the sublime, to get in front of people and perform, and how one should never stint with praise or applause. About not needing to know how every trick works. About sitting back and letting the magic wash over me.

More often than not, the world out there seems pretty horrible and we need our entertainers desperately. I know I need mine — and there is an enormous unintelligible hole in my life where Peter and his love for all who slave to make us happy once lived.

"Isn't it amazing!" was, said in carnival barker intonation, his favorite tagline.

"Yes." I must believe the magic is not in permanent eclipse.

Yes.

More realism needed to create Jewish unity

RABBI BARUCH TAUB, spiritual leader of Beth Avraham Yoseph Congregation and immediate past president of Toronto's Vaad HaRabbanim, decries empty calls for unity as the solution to intra-Jewish frictions. Recognition of and respect for differences are the true start for reconciliation, he says.

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Violence is wrong, Orthodox or otherwise. Secularists setting fire to synagogues and sacred books, and observant Jews destroying bus shelters are both painful and embarrassing. Clearly, the lunatic fringe is largely responsible, but part of the blame lies squarely with those in the establishment community who cry for "real" unity.

It is time for a realistic approach to the issue of unity and tolerance. There is no longer place for empty rhetoric from all corners crying out for "unity of the Jewish people" which inevitably is accompanied by an accusation that one side or the other is too dogmatic to allow for "real" unity. "Real" unity is not a realistic goal anymore. "Real" unity to the avowed secularist is a rejection of religion and the advocacy of a purely humanistic culture, while to the Orthodox Jew it means fidelity to a theology that has faithfully endured the journey from Mt. Sinai to the 20th century.

The late Rabbi Abraham Kook, Israel's first Chief Rabbi, was celebrated for his efforts to reach out to secular Jews. His prayerbook commentary Olat Reah, discusses among other things the Shabbat sentence "scholars increase shalom — peace — in the world." Peace, explained Rabbi Kook, does not mean that we must agree with one another, but rather that we must understand each other.

In marveling at the identical translation of the Septuagint by 71 rabbis in 71 different homes, the late Rabbi Yitzhak Hutner of New York's Rabbi Chaim Berlin Yeshiva quipped: "It would have been an even greater miracle if the 71 rabbis would have been under the same roof."

If we can be honest about the reality of "real" unity there is much for which to be hopeful.

Recognition of irreconcilable differences is sometimes the beginning, not the end, of an honest relationship. For one thing we can function in an atmosphere of decency, good taste and "menschlichkeit!" We can continue to sit together under the umbrella of those organizations which have a proven record of dealing with Jewish needs at home and in Israel. Issues

Rabbi Baruch Taub

of social welfare and social justice are the concern of the entire community.

Orthodoxy, for example, is clearly not a monolithic group. However, there are tenets agreed upon by all. Orthodox Jews for instance view the study of a G-d-given Torah as a primary occupation and the observance of its mitzvot as the priamry ethical imperative. Within this framework Jews are encouraged to promote piety and justice among all humanity.

There are basic principles that no Orthodox Jew can waive without abandoning his commitment. The issue of patrilineal descent has reduced the potential for "real" unity. Orthodoxy cannot yield its commitment to halacha and is pained beyond description by the current situation whereby one Jew cannot marry another person who "functions" as a Jew but according to halacha cannot be defined as one.

The shallow cry for **"real" unity** must be transformed into a serious attempt to fashion a **realistic unity** that will not encroach upon independently held positions.

Centuries ago Isaiah the Prophet uttered a plea for a realistic unity for "shalom, shalom l'rachok vl'karov" — Peace, peace to those who are far and to those who are close. We have only to attempt to realize the prophetic dream.

Opinion

Climate was improving before Waldheim affair

Israel-Austria relationship thrown off balance

(Third of a series on Austria)

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

VIENNA —

Until the fierce controversy engendered by Kurt Waldheim's wartime record broke into print, Israel and Austria had been quietly improving their relationship.

Under the leadership of former chancellor Bruno Kreisky, Austria adopted an activist Middle East policy, championing the rights of the Palestinians and becoming the first Western European country to recognize the PLO.

During this turbulent period, Austria was critical of a whole range of Israeli policies, and Kreisky — a Jew by birth but a Socialist and an atheist by conviction — was often in the vanguard of lambasting the administration of Menachem Begin, a man he also scorned on a personal level.

After Kreisky's retirement three years ago this month, and his succession by Fred Sinowatz, whose interest in the Middle East was minimal compared to that of his predecessor, the climate in Israeli-Austrian relations improved.

Austria, whose foreign policy is based on strict neutrality between East and West, changed the style, but not the substance, of its Middle East policy, lowering the harsh rhetoric but maintaining its principles intact.

With the accession of Waldheim to the Austrian presidency, Israel's relationship with Austria has been thrown off balance again, although it must be said that Austria's new chancellor, Franz Vranitzky, is known to have warm feelings for Israel.

Michael Elizur

To highlight its displeasure with the president-elect's military record as an intelligence officer in the German army, Israel recalled its ambassador, Michael Elizur, to Jerusalem. An Israeli diplomat probably will not attend Waldheim's inaugural ceremony on July 8.

Elizur, in an interview with this reporter as he prepared to leave Vienna, said he expected to return to Austria sometime in the future — a view echoed by officials in the Austrian foreign ministry.

Israel's relations with Austria began to sour on May 2, when Yitzhak Shamir, the foreign minister, said that the election of Waldheim would be "a real tragedy from all points of view — political, diplomatic and human."

The Austrian response was equally sharp. Leopold Gratz, the then foreign minister, characterized Shamir's remarks as an "unequivocable interference in Austria's internal affairs." Gratz, however, did not send Israel an official protest note, signifying his desire not to roil the waters any further.

Observers on both sides agree that the Waldheim affair has set back Israeli-Austrian relations.

Before his recall to Israel, Elizur acknowledged that an "irritant" had been injected into the relationship. In a reference to the revulsion occasioned in Israel by Waldheim's alleged involvement in atrocities against Yugoslavian partisans and civilians, as well as Greek Jews, Elizur noted: "Many Austrians haven't appreciated the depth of feelings that move Jewish Israelis."

Elizur, who reportedly warned his superiors that unrestrained attacks on Waldheim could harm relations with Austria, told this reporter that there could be "increased bitterness" between the two nations if the present tension continued and if facts were not presented proving allegations by the World Jewish Congress vis-a-vis Waldheim's wartime activities.

"It would be very helpful if some facts emerged to substantiate the charges," he said.

Fred Sinowatz

Walter Schwimmer, the president of the Austrian-Israel Friendship Society, and a conservative member of parliament who recently visited Israel, said that, at present, "uncertainty" was the operative word to describe Austria's relations with Israel. He declined to say they had been damaged.

A member of Waldheim's People's Party, Schwimmer defended Waldheim, whom he knows well. He said the former United Nations secretary-general had not been a member of the Nazi Party, opposed Nazi ideology and hailed from an anti-Nazi family.

Waldheim, he went on to say, was not anti-semitic. "He'll fight anti-semitism in Austria, and he's interested in good relations between Austria and Israel."

Austrian electors, he added, would have rejected Waldheim had he really been a Nazi. "Austrians voted for him because he's a good statesman, because they wanted a political change and perhaps out of a feeling that he had been unfairly maligned."

Schwimmer, whose predecessor, Heinz Nittel, was killed by Arab terrorists five years ago, said he realized that "we Austrians don't sufficiently understand Jewish sensibilities with regard to the Holocaust."

What was now necessary, he pointed out, was "real dialogue."

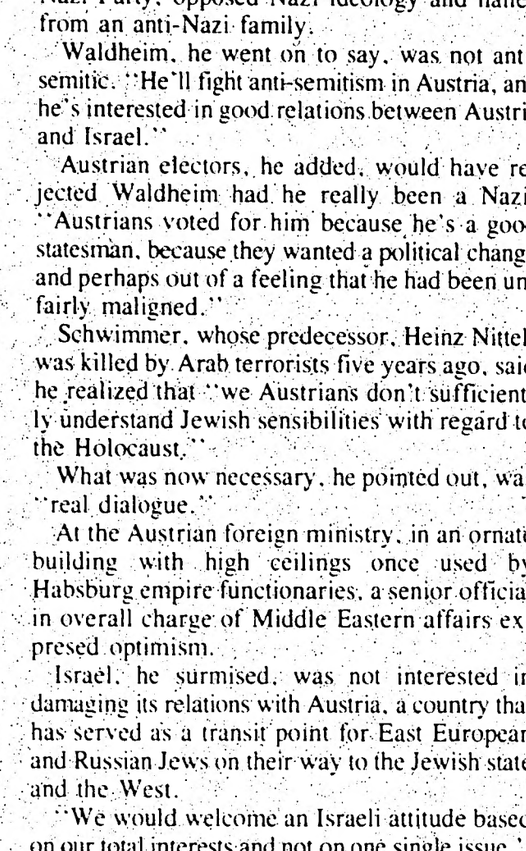
At the Austrian foreign ministry, in an ornate building with high ceilings once used by Habsburg empire functionaries, a senior official in overall charge of Middle Eastern affairs expresed optimism.

Israel, he surmised, was not interested in damaging its relations with Austria, a country that has served as a transit point for East European and Russian Jews on their way to the Jewish state and the West.

"We would welcome an Israeli attitude based on our total interests and not on one single issue."

The official, formerly stationed in Ottawa, termed as "correct" Austria's ties with Israel.

Austria and Israel, he said, have "intensive" cultural and tourist exchanges, with Austrian Airlines and El Al flying to Tel Aviv and Vienna.



Walter Schwimmer

But, as Elizur observed, there has been a fall off in traffic since the Waldheim revelations burst forth.

According to Elizur, Middle Eastern policy under the direction of Fred Sinowatz, who stepped down after Waldheim's June 8 electoral victory, was a case of "less of the same." As he put it: "The principles didn't change, but the heat was diminished."

Sinowatz, who was personally well disposed toward Israel's pioneering achievements, eliminated the shrill polemics of the Kreisky era. Kreisky, the scion of a highly assimilated Jewish family, was particularly scornful of Menachem Begin, whom he called "a short-sighted, primitive imperialist" with the mentality of a grocer.

In 1981, Kreisky compared Israelis to Germans under the Hitler years. And in 1982, in the wake of its invasion of Lebanon, he attacked Israel mercilessly.

Kreisky, who once prompted Yitzhak Shamir to say that Israel could not hold a rational dialogue with the Austrian chancellor, won power in 1970 and warmed up Austria's relations with the Arab world.

On the eve of the 1973 Yom Kippur War, in reaction to the abduction of Soviet Jews by Palestinian raiders, Kreisky closed the Schoenau Castle transit camp, despite a desperate, last-minute trip to Vienna by Golda Meir, the Israeli premier.

Kreisky was not enamored of the tactics employed by the Palestinians, but he increased his contacts with Palestinian leaders like PLO chieftain Yasser Arafat. In the mid-1970s, Kreisky recognized the PLO as the sole, legitimate representative of the Palestinians, and permitted the PLO to open an office in Vienna. Kreisky believed that Israel should withdraw entirely from the occupied areas and acquiesce to the establishment of an independent Palestinian state on the West Bank and in the Gaza Strip. He also believed that Israeli settlements in those areas should be dismantled.

At the United Nations, Austria voted in favor of pro-Palestinian resolutions, and condemned Israel for its 1981 aerial destruction of Iraq's nuclear reactor. Austria cast its ballot against the 1975 resolution equating Zionism with racism.

Austria, under Kreisky, pursued a high-profile policy in the belief that if the Arab-Israeli dispute was not solved, the conflict could spill over into Europe, with all its adverse political and economic results.

In keeping with this philosophy, the Austrian government contributed troops to several United Nations peacekeeping forces manning ceasefire lines on the Golan Heights and in the Sinai Peninsula. In the past 26 years, some 18,000 Austrian soldiers have served in the Middle East.

Out of purely humanitarian motives, Austria, since November of 1983, has mediated three prisoner of war exchanges involving nearly 6,000 Israelis and Arabs.

After Kreisky stepped down, Sinowatz placed far less emphasis on Middle East developments, but he kept faith with the basic contours of Kreisky's policy.

The Austrians still regard the PLO as the Palestinians' only representative organization, support the creation of a fully independent Palestinian state, and think that an Israeli withdrawal from the occupied territories is necessary.

It has been nine years since an Austrian cabinet minister has visited Israel, and three years have elapsed since an Israeli minister stopped in Vienna on an official visit.

Last autumn, however, Prime Minister Shimon Peres met Fred Sinowatz at the Socialist International conference in Vienna.

Austria, despite its pro-Palestinian policy, has been the object of several Palestinian terrorist assaults. Not counting the 1973 Schoenau Castle incident, terrorists have chosen Austria as a venue for their attacks in five instances.

- In 1975, they overran the Vienna-based headquarters of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, taking a few prisoners.
- In 1981, they killed three Jews in an attack on a Vienna synagogue, and assassinated the president of the Austrian-Israel Friendship Society.
- In 1984, they left a small bomb that exploded at El Al's office, hurting no one.
- On Dec. 27, 1985, they murdered three passengers and wounded 47 at Vienna's Schwechat Airport.

Virtually all the attacks have been carried out by the anti-Arafat Abu Nidal faction, observers concur.

Bruno Kreisky

By way of response, Austria — which relies on five Arab countries for some of its overseas oil supplies — has set up an anti-terrorist squad, the Cobras, and tightened border controls. The Austrians have also reduced the size of Libya's embassy in Vienna, and warned the Libyans they will not tolerate activities inconsistent with a diplomatic role. Recently, Austria dispatched its minister of interior to Syria, Saudi Arabia and Algeria in an effort to enlist the cooperation of those countries in the fight against international terrorism.

It is uncertain whether Austria has elicited Israel's assistance in this matter.

Austria hopes that terrorists will not use its territory again in the future. But no one here can be sure of anything. Even a country as sympathetic to Arab and Palestinians claims as Austria cannot be immune to the scourge of unbridled terrorism.

Tehiya gets to 3rd spot, poll shows

TEL AVIV (JTA) —

A public opinion poll published in Maariv shows that the ultra-nationalist rightwing Tehiya Party would become the third largest in the Knesset if elections were held now.

According to the poll, conducted by the Modi'in Ezrachi Research Institute, Tehiya would take votes from Rabbi Meir Kahane's extremist Kach Party. Kach presently has a single seat in the 120-member Knesset, won by Kahane's extremist Kach Party.

A poll taken last March indicated it would marshal sufficient votes for four seats were elections held then. The latest poll indicated two seats for Kach while Tehiya would gain two seats, raising its Knesset delegation from seven to nine.

Labor, Likud support drops

The latest poll, compared to the March poll, raised the Labor Party from 50 to 51 seats at the expense of Likud, which dropped from 32 to 31 seats. The newly formed Liberal Center Party would win one seat in the Knesset.

Among other parties, the National Religious Party would win five seats if elections were held now, the same as in March. Two other religious parties, Agudat Yisrael and Shas, would hold steady with two and three seats respectively, but the religious party Morasha would drop from two to one seat.

Mapam would win two seats, the same as last March. The Citizens Rights Movement (CRM) would increase from four to five seats. The Shinui Party and the Communist Party would remain with two and six seats respectively.

Opinion

Lessons of the South African tragedy

A Jewish Israel or a "Big" (Arabized) Israel?

By
J. B. SALSBERG

The flames that redden South Africa's skies now also illuminate many profound lessons that other states and peoples can ignore only at their own extreme peril.

And, in my view, Israel, too is in dire need of learning and applying the lessons of the South Africa tragedy.

J.B. Salsberg

As I pointed out last week, the unpleasant but inescapable fact is that only a tiny fraction of the world's post-Holocaust Jewry joined the ranks of the heroic minority that already lived in Palestine and that fought and achieved the re-birth of Jewish statehood. Even after the proclamation of independence the Jews of the Western world made not much more than a token contribution to the human growth of Israel. And as a consequence of our historic failure to "fill the land" with its "exiled" sons, Israel has remained a lamentably underpopulated Jewish state in a sea of fast-growing, neighboring Arab countries.

As I see it, all of Israel's major problems, from its birth to this day, stem from this anomalous fact.

The net result is that in terms of the present truncated size Israel has a reasonably safe Jewish majority. But in terms of a "big" Jewish state, that would extend to the "biblical boundaries," the Jews would form a minority of the total population. What kind of Jewish state would that be?

There are those who argue that since the West Bank — Judea and Samaria, and Gaza — are "historically ours" then the Arab majority that now lives there will be granted "local autonomy." That means that they will become self-governing as far as local educational and administrative matters are concerned.

But will the residents of such "autonomous" areas within the borders of "Greater Israel" also elect representatives to the Knesset, the Israeli parliament? Not necessarily, say some of the strongest advocates of a Greater Israel. Why not? Because, reply those same maximalists, because what with their present numbers and their much higher birth rate they could soon command a majority in the Knesset. . . . (The Arab minority that lives within the present borders of Israel has, of course, Arab-elected members in the Knesset.)

Could such an undemocratic political structure, as the maximalists envisage for a Greater Israel endure? Of course not.

No rational person could fail to foresee the bitterly-hostile reaction of the disenfranchised majority of Arabs. In their inevitable battle for the right to vote and to elect members to the country's parliament they would, of course, receive more aid than they would ask for from the Arab states that border on Israel. Nor would the democratic world deny the disenfranchised Arabs of such a Greater Israel the moral, political and other help. Just as they are doing now when White Africa denies the majority of Black Africans the right to vote and to participate in the governing of that country.

Is that what we want? Of course not.

Last, but not least, there is still the much vaunted traditional Jewish dedication to justice, righteousness and to moral standards to be considered.

How would a disenfranchised majority tally with our traditional beliefs? It would create a disastrous internal division in Jewish Israel as it would in world Jewry.

The maximalists, the advocates of a Greater Israel, argue that Israel is strong enough to overcome whatever difficulty may arise because history is on our side. Those people are either shockingly ignorant of history or they are mesmerized by their own verbosity.

In either case the pursuance of their policies would not only endanger the very existence of Israel but would also lead to a tragic fragmentation of Jewish society around the world.

The more extreme minority of the greater Israel ideology, the racist Rabbi Meir Kahane's sect, offers a "simpler" solution to the Arab majority that now occupies the territories beyond the present borders of Israel. Kahane proposes that Arabs living in those areas be given financial help to leave their homes and go to neighboring Arab countries. And as for those that may reject such "help" they should be driven out of the areas. Just like that — out, out, out! (Heaven help us all!)

In contrast, there is the moderate position of Prime Minister Shimon Peres, his Labor Party and a host of other Israeli sectors (of every social and religious persuasion), who openly advocate "territorial concessions for a secure peace."

Such an approach would not only receive the support of the U.S. and most other democratic countries and peoples, but may also win support from some Arab leaders and from the Arab masses.

How such a peace would be secured is a matter for the responsible Israeli leadership, including those of Israel's army, which must, of course be maintained at the highest state of readiness and effectiveness. (The late Yigal Alon, for instance, advocated the same policy and he suggested the maintenance of Israeli army bases along the Jordan river, even after a settlement to protect Israel from surprise attacks.)

In the light of what is now happening in South Africa and in the light of our historic principles of equality and righteousness it seems to be quite clear what Israel must not do and what Israel needs to do to assure its existence as a democratic Jewish state.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters are welcome if they are in English or French, no more than 250 words, typewritten with lines double spaced, and of interest to our reading public. Readers are cautioned not to make sweeping claims against persons or institutions which they cannot verify, as libel laws are very stringent. We reserve the right to edit letters, which must bear the sender's address, phone number and handwritten signature.

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ISRAEL VIOLENCE SADDENING

When I read of the violence between the ultra-Orthodox and secular Jews in Israel, I become both saddened and enraged.

I am saddened that in this day and age, it can happen in our beloved Israel.

I am enraged that the ultra-Orthodox are trying to take us back to the beginnings of our great heritage when Zealots contributed so much to the pain and suffering of the Jews, thereby losing for us the kingdom of Israel and Judah, the Holy Temple and Jerusalem.

They and the secular Israelis have the democratic right to voice their opinions. I most certainly do not want their freedoms curtailed — as long as they keep the peace and do not inject violence into a dispute.

People are capable of becoming more tolerant of each other — as long as they apply this approach.

Morris Cohen
Montreal

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WHY WAS WALDHEIM CHOSEN

Two important points regarding the election of Kurt Waldheim:

First of all, Austria has had a Socialist president for 16 years, and many people wanted a change in government. This way, if Waldheim has to resign, he'll be replaced by someone from his own party, just as Richard Nixon was replaced by Gerald Ford.

Second, isn't it possible that some people voted for Waldheim because they were told *not to* by certain Israeli politicians?

Mitchell Klinger
Toronto

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ALL'S NORMAL EXCEPT TOURISM

As the chairman-designate for the 1987 United Jewish Appeal campaign of Ottawa, scheduled for this fall, I was privileged to lead a mission of 31 participants to Prague and Israel from May 5-20.

No matter where we went, in Czechoslovakia or in Israel, we were warmly welcomed and praised for being brave enough to come.

Apparently a good number of missions and group tours were cancelled this spring. In Europe, the fear is related to the Chernobyl disaster.

In Israel, the concerns were of terrorists.

The PLO and other terrorist factions must be gloating over their success at keeping tourism to a minimum in Israel. It is a victory we as Jews should not allow them.

There was never a moment during our travels, that we felt unsafe. Not at the airport or in the Golan, or at the Good Fence, or at border settlements.

The security was there but it was not so blatent that it made us apprehensive.

I can best describe the mood in Israel as "normal." The only thing that was not normal was the lack of tourists at this particularly lovely time of year.

I would urge every Jewish group, whether it be UJA, a local congregation, a Zionist organization, or anyone of the myriad of Canadian Friends, to make a special effort to bring a group to Israel as soon as possible.

Tourism was and can be big business in Israel. It is incumbent upon us to do everything we can to stimulate that industry.

Dan Kimmel
Ottawa

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AID ANTI-HUNGER GROUP

In the June 19 edition of The Canadian Jewish News, you applauded the creation of a new organization called "Mazon — A Jewish Response to Hunger."

At that time, you were unaware that Mazon Canada, an organization similar in aims and purpose to Mazon U.S., has been formed.

Its board represents a cross-section of the Canadian Jewish community and includes: Rabbi Ronald Aigen, Peter Bronfman, Donald Carr, Prof. Irwin Cotler, Frank Dimant, Dr. Anne Golden, Mira Koschitzky, Rabbi Dow Marmur, Phineas Schwartz, Herbert Solway, and Edward Waitzer.

As chairman of the board, I am pleased to announce that a part-time executive director, Dr. Roger Hyman, has been named and will take up his duties in the fall.

Those interested in more information about Mazon, or in making contributions, can call the rabbi's study at Temple Emanu-El, (416) 449-3880.

Rabbi Arthur Bielfeld
Toronto

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TUTU "TRIVIALIZES" HOLOCAUST

Bishop Tutu, in addressing the Ontario Legislature on May 30, acknowledged the desire "to demonstrate your solidarity with those who are victims of one of the most vicious systems the world has known, and I have often added, since Moses' time."

While agreeing that the existence of the racist regime in South Africa is totally reprehensible, to compare it to the Holocaust is to trivialize the horrible suffering of the Jewish people in Hitler's concentration camps and death chambers.

Are White people in South Africa making lampshades out of Black people's skins?

Jewish people, having been in the forefront of the struggle for equality of oppressed peoples everywhere, do not deserve this insult.

Paul Hartmann
Toronto

Reader lauds news coverage of Toronto's She'arim Hebrew Day School...Chari Schwartz is shown teaching an enthusiastic primary grade class.

LAUDS SCHOOL STORIES

As a parent of a child attending She'arim Hebrew Day School, I would like to commend The CJN for recent articles on the school.

The article which appeared just before our symposium on learning problems played a large part in the great success of the program. Many people told us they came because of the article.

I would like to compliment your gifted reporter Leila Speisman for her sensitivity in expressing what so many of us feel, but lack the ability to articulate.

Joy Zigelman
Toronto

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BRAVO TO BILL ATTEWELL

I would like to commend Bill Attewell, MP for Don Valley East, for his relentless support on issues of concern to the Jewish community.

Attewell is a proud supporter of Israel, as evidenced by his chairmanship of the Canada-Israel Parliamentary Friendship Committee, and his recent statement in the House marking Israel's 38th year of independence (CJN, May 15).

He is also very vocal and persistent in his fight for human rights, as evidenced by his activist approach to the Soviet Jewry issue, an issue which he has constantly advocated both in the House and at countless community programs, including the Anatoly Scharansky freedom celebration in Toronto this past February.

Attewell was also instrumental in making the Jewish Students' Network anti-terrorism lobby day this past February the success it was.

I congratulate Mr. Attewell on his firm support of the Jewish community, be it in small community gatherings, or in the centre of our political apparatus, the House of Commons.

I call on our community to pay tribute to Bill Attewell the way it knows how.

Dan Ronen
Toronto

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$51,000 ALZHEIMER'S ATTACK

The Max Bell Foundation has shown great concern and care for the elderly and aging in Canada through an award of $51,000 to the Canadian Geriatrics Research Society.

The board of directors of the foundation has authorized the sponsorship of two research projects funded by CGRS and dedicated to longitudinal studies into Alzheimer's.

Through the support of the Max Bell Foundation, Dr. S. Lal, of the Douglas Hospital Research Centre in Quebec, and Dr. E. H. Colhoun, of the University of Western Ontario, can continue their ongoing investigations into this dreaded disease.

Donna E. Metcalfe
Canadian Geriatrics
Research Society
Toronto

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KUDOS TO LUNGEN

Re your June 12 story headed "ORT chair endowed in Sophie Bennett's name" and subheaded "Braude Institute of Technology in Israel":

I would like to commend Paul Lungen on his coverage of ORT's evening honoring Avie Bennett for his generous contribution to the new ORT school in Karmiel, Israel.

Having been involved in planning the evening, it was wonderful to welcome so many friends of ORT.

Harriet Morton
Toronto

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World-National

Funding to be cut off for non-Zionist bodies

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The Jewish Agency will no longer fund non-Zionist educational institutions in Israel and overseas, the concluding session of the Jewish Agency assembly decided last week.

According to the resolution approved, the Jewish Agency from now on will transfer funds to Jewish schools, yeshivoth and other institutions, "which recognize the State of Israel, support its existence as the national homeland of the Jewish people," and integrate Zionist values in their study programs.

The Mizrachi delegates to the assembly tried to oppose the resolution, but eventually it was approved by a wide majority. However, Rabbi Yitzhak Meir, head of the Torah education department, said he would appeal the resolution before the Zionist executive, terming the resolution "irresponsible and not operational."

The move is significant because it comes against the backdrop of a fierce controversy triggered by the anonymous re-publication of a series of articles critically examining the use of United Jewish Appeal funds made available to the Jewish Agency.

The articles were authored by Jerusalem Post newsman Charles Hoffman, and were published last month in the Baltimore Jewish Times.

Among Hoffman's disclosures was an intricate procedure whereby UJA-raised monies find their way through the youth aliyah department to educational institutions which are avowedly non-Zionist.

The committee recommendation would apply "Zionist criteria" for the disbursement of funds, specifically the celebration by the institution of Israel's Independence Day and education towards service in the Israel Defence Force.

The re-publication of Hoffman's articles, in the form of a pamphlet, was done anonymously. But the controversy erupted when, on the eve of the assembly, Jewish Agency board of governors chairman Jerrold Hoffberger moved to have the pamphlet distributed to all assembly delegates.

Much of the Zionist leadership in Israel saw this as a move to shift power away from the agency in Israel and towards the UJA's fund raising apparatus and federation machine in the United States.

The Israelis were especially incensed by cartoons which appeared with the articles in the Anglo-Jewish paper and were reproduced in the pamphlet. The widespread opinion among World Zionist Organization here is that these drawings are veritably "Stuermer-like," in the words of WZO chairman Leon Dulzin.

VACATION TIME

It's almost vacation time again for the staff of The CJN and we'll be closing down for two weeks so our staffers can enjoy an uninterrupted holiday.

Our offices will be closed from July 21 to Aug. 5, which means we will not be publishing the issues of July 31 and Aug. 7.

If you want to get advance notices in the paper about events occuring during the vacation period, please submit them immediately to catch the earlier issues.

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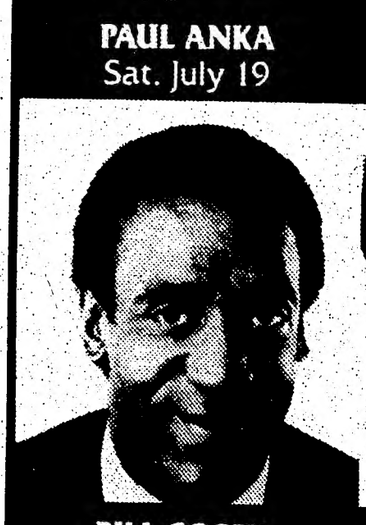

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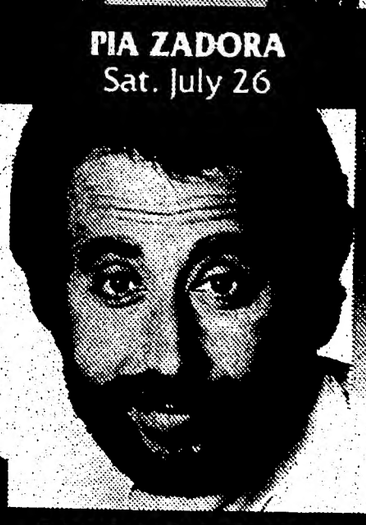

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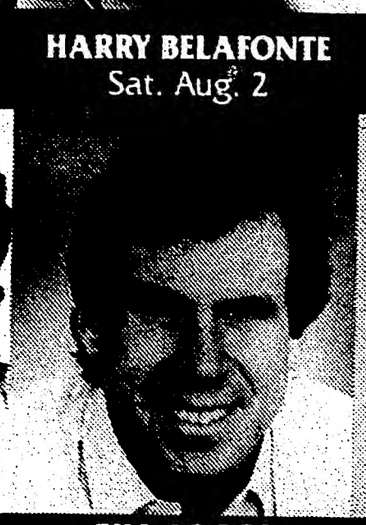

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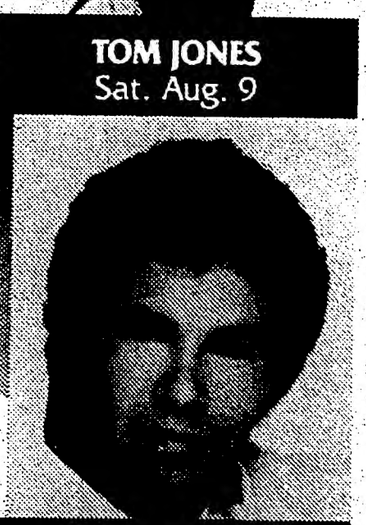

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"Black day for rule of law in Israel"

Validity of a pardon for Shalom questioned

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dicial inquiry into the allegations against him and his aides. It announced that the Prime Minister would create a special commission to recommend regulations and norms for the conduct of Shin Bet in the future.

Some legal circles predicted that the presidential pardon would be challenged in the Supreme Court, though it was not clear who would initiate the challenge or whether the court would recognize the challenger's standing in the case.

One critic of the pardon, Energy Minister Moshe Shahal, a Laborite and a lawyer by profession, questioned its validity. He noted that the relevant law empowered the President to pardon only convicted criminals. Shahal told reporters that the inner cabinet's decision did not follow "the king's highway," but sought a solution through twisted byways.

A former Labor Party justice minister, Haim Zadok, still a prominent party figure, joined the critics with a blistering attack on the government's decision. "This is a black day for the rule of law in Israel," Zadok said. He hinted — and others have said this openly — that Attorney-General Harish, having been "ignored," ought to resign.

Communications Minister Amnon Rubinstein, of the leftist Shinui Party, thought the pardon is legal but "set a thoroughly negative and undesirable precedent."

Eleazar Granot, of Mapam, charged that the President and attorney-general were both "dragged by the politicians" into a elaborate package designed to avoid any inquiry into the policy-making level.

But if leftist politicians deplored the way the government resolved what had become known as the Shin Bet scandal, those on the political right hailed it as a wise move that enabled the nation to set aside an affair that preoccupied and embarrassed the authorities for months.

Deputy Prime Minister Ronni Milo, a Likud MK, called the cabinet's decision "good and brave." Milo is a close aide to Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir. The Likud leader had vehemently opposed any sort of investigation of the allegations against Shalom on national security grounds.

Prime Minister Shimon Peres, though also opposed, was prepared to accept a judicial inquiry conducted under strictest secrecy. But the inner cabinet (five Labor and five Likud ministers) agreed to the pardon. Only Ezer Weizman, of the Labor-allied Yahad Party, reportedly was opposed. According to uneonfirmed reports, one other senior minister abstained. He is believed to be Education Minister Yitzhak Navon, a Laborite and Herzog's immediate predecessor as President of Israel.

Identity card label slammed

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and distance Israel from the Diaspora communities. Dulzin spoke at a meeting of the Coordination Body, a panel of senior cabinet ministers and Jewish Agency leaders.

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NEW YORK (JTA) —

Leaders of Reform and Conservative Judaism in the U.S. spoke out strongly to denounce the practice by the Orthodox-controlled ministry of interior in Israel of printing the word "converted" next to the designation "Jewish" on the identity cards of Jewish converts in Israel.

Rabbi Alexander Schindler, president of the Union of American Congregations, the congressional organization of Reform Jews, charged that "now the Orthodox establishment in Israel wants to stamp the equivalent of the yellow star on the identity cards of immigrants to Israel who have been converted to Judaism."

A statement adopted by the executive council of the Rabbinical Assembly, the association of Conservative rabbis, urged Premier Shimon Peres and his cabinet "to immediately rescind this unconscionable ruling."

Schindler declared: "This ugly and humiliating requirement flies in the face of 3,000 years of Jewish tradition. From the earliest days of our history as a people, those who converted to our faith were regarded as fully equal. All were children of Father Abraham, never was there a stigma attached to the status of a convert."

Mitterand's help sought

PARIS (JTA) —

Israeli Deputy Premier Yitzhak Shamir, on a trip to France, asked President Francois Mitterand to intervene on behalf of the thousands of Soviet Jews who are trying to leave Russia for Israel.

Mitterand will pay an official visit to Moscow this month to confer with Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev. Sources close to Mitterand said he would raise a number of humanitarian questions, especially those of Refuseniks separated from their families because they have been denied exit visas.

Shamir asked Mitterand to bring up several specific cases, which he described as particularly poignant. He gave the president a list of names of people who have been waiting, some of them for years, for the right to leave for Israel.

Shamir and Premier Jacques Chirac discussed the possibility of strengthening anti-terrorist cooperation.

Israeli sources said Chirac and Shamir reached broad agreement on this issue, but that more talks will be needed to work out its concrete applications.

They met for close to two hours at the French premier's office, Hotel Matignon.

Shamir inaugurated the Israel-Common Market Joint Chamber of Commerce here. Chirac attended the inaugural ceremony to stress his commitment to closer Franco-Israeli ties. He said that his government will do its utmost "to further improve relations between the two countries."

Before his departure, Shamir conferred with Foreign Minister Jean Bernard Raimond. They reviewed the situation in southern Lebanon and the possibility of extending trade ties between Israel and the 12-nation EEC.

Embassy says allegation against Herzog "baseless"

By JOSEPH POLAKOFF

WASHINGTON —

An allegation in a recent Washington Post story claiming that Chaim Herzog fled the United States in 1954 after he had been engaged in improper intelligence activities as Israel's defence attache has been termed "baseless" by the Israeli embassy.

The Post story said that Herzog, now Israel's President, "left the country hurriedly in 1954 after learning from a friendly state department employee that the FBI knew about his recruitment of a Jordanian military officer, according to Wilbur Crane Eveland III, a U.S. military intelligence officer at the time."

The embassy said in a statement that the claim is "false, malicious and tendentious." It said Herzog concluded his extended service as defence attache "with all the honors accorded to a military attache upon departure. This is not the first time that this false, baseless allegation has been made by the same irresponsible source whose motivation raises many questions."

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Sunday, July 6

POLO FOR HEART FUND

Wine and spirits producer Grand Marnier is sponsoring the final day, Sunday, July 6, at the International Polo for Heart series in aid of the Ontario Heart Foundation taking place at Gormley Polo Centre. The day's events begin at noon and two polo games are featured, one at 1 p.m. when Chicago plays the Toronto Polo Club and the second at 2.30 p.m. when Detroit meets the Canadian World Cup team.

The Women's Committee of the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario is aiming to raise $200,000 from this year's games. General admission tickets are $6 per day, with children under 12 admitted free.

Gormley Polo Centre is just north of Toronto. Take Hwy. 404 to Bloomington Side Rd., go west and then south on Leslie to the Polo Centre.

CARILLON RECITAL

The Sunday, July 6, carillon recital at Soldiers' Tower Carillon, University of Toronto, at Hart House Circle, features university carillonneur **Sydney Shep**. The time is 7.30-8.30 p.m. These concerts are free.

Tuesday, July 8

ISRAELI SCIENTISTS

Israeli scientists from leading institutions in Israel, who will be in Toronto to attend the 6th International Congress of Immunology, are being honored at a reception given by the Israel Cancer Research Fund on Tuesday, July 8. It takes place at 8 p.m. at the home of **Sally and Harry Gallinger**, 130 Old Forest Hill Rd., Penthouse 602.

Among the 40 scientists will be those who have been awarded Israel Cancer Research Fund fellowships for their work in cancer research. One of these fellows is **Dr. Yair Reisner**, a bone marrow specialist who went to the Soviet Union after the Chernobyl nuclear accident.

CANADIAN ISRAELI CLUB

Aluma, the Canadian Israeli Club, is meeting on Tuesday, July 8, at 7.30 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge of the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave. The program includes Israeli singing and dancing.

For information, call **Ephraim Dloomy** at 449-7836.

And What Else Is New...

KADIMA CENTRE UPDATE

Congratulations to all Kadima Centre members who received certificates of recognition recently. The certificates were presented to the 50 recipients by **Rabbi Joseph Kelman** in recognition of their personal achievements.

Kadima Centre, located at 100 Elder St., offers social and recreational programs for developmentally handicapped adults. If you are interested in joining or would like more information, contact **Suzanne Agasee** at 636-4426.

MACCABI CANADA

Maccabi Canada is considering the possibility of participating in the Pan American Maccabi Masters Games in Sao Paulo, Brazil, Dec. 24-30. The estimate cost per person is $2000.

If you are 35 years of age or older, and would like to paricipate in basketball, volleyball, tennis or shooting, contact **Harold Cipin**, on or before July 31, at the Jewish Community Centre, 750 Spadina Ave., Toronto, M5S 2J2, or telephone (416) 924-6211.

A DAY AT ARTPARK

Casablanca Chapter, Toronto Women's ORT, is arranging an outing to Artpark in Lewiston, NY, on Wednesday, Aug. 6, to see the popular Broadway musical Gypsy.

The overall charge covers bus transportation and theatre ticket. You can bring your own lunch or purchase one on the way.

Make your reservations as soon as possible for best theatre seats by calling **Rae Prussky** at 493-8323 or **Lil Hashmall** at 783-8776 or **Martha Leckie** at 781-6488.

ISRAEL BANKING OPPORTUNITIES

An Israeli banking institution has a vacancy for a senior executive in its investment banking division which is being established in Tel Aviv.

The successful applicant will have had experience in investment and merchant banking and in marketing of financial packages and will have professional qualifications in accountancy, economics or law. The applicant will have a natural aptitude for dealing with clients and will accordingly be able to make a significant contribution by initiating transactions and negotiating with institutional counter-parties, particularly in the U.S.

For further information, contact the Israel Aliyah Centre, 1111 Finch Ave. W., Suite 355, Downsview, Ont., M3J 2E5. The phone number is (416) 665-7772.

SHALOM VILLAGE HAMILTON

Here's a list of highlights of July events at Shalom Village Retirement Home in Hamilton —

Wednesday, July 2 — Health Awareness series deals with all the answers to your health questions with public health nurse **Barb Mohan** at 2.30 p.m.

Thursday, July 3 — Residents will enjoy a talk by **Rabbi Bernard Baskin** at 7.30 p.m.

Wednesday, July 9 - Cabaret show by the Lighthouse Festival Theatre at 2.30 p.m.

Thursday, July 10 — **Kathleen Crithenden** will speak on Alzheimer's Disease at 7.30 p.m.

Wednesday, July 16 — Shuffleboard with the seniors at Ancaster at 11 a.m.

Thursday, July 17 — Barbecue on the patio and then the 2nd annual Beach bash.

Wednesday, July 23 — Health Awareness series with public health nurse **Barb Mohan** continues at 2.30 p.m.

Wednesday, July 30 — Guest speaker **Col. Yehoshua Bar-am** will show a film on Israel at 2.30 p.m.

Day trips will be on Tuesdays July 8 (tour of Six Nation Indian reserve), July 15 (Balls Falls) and July 22 (Ontario Place).

VENDORS FOR BAZAAR

Emunah Women of Toronto is looking for vendors for the annual bazaar and boutique sale taking place Sunday, Sept. 21, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Bayview Arena, 3230 Bayview Ave. (just north of Finch).

If you are interested, call **Ruth** at 635-9847 before 1 p.m. or **Anne** at 782-2902.

HAR ZION MEMBERSHIP

Temple Har Zion in the Bayview-Steeles area is welcoming new members. The Reform congregation places emphasis on religious worship, education of children and adult education. From nursery school through grade 10, classes are held in Judaism, Hebrew, ritual and observance.

Jerry Greenglass is president. **Rabbi Michael Stroh** is spiritual leader and **Miriam Kalushner** is membership chairman.

Young families who wish to experience a blend of tradition with a modern viewpoint are invited to call the temple at 889-2252 during business hours.

BECOME A VOLUNTEER

Become a volunter this summer. There are many opportunities for teens who want to gain experience, meet new people and help others. Volunteering is rewarding and can be an asset to a resume.

For further information, call the Jewish Information Service at 635-5600 (voice and TDD).

CAMP KADIMA/USY

Aug. 21-28, Eastern Canadian Region United Synagogue Youth will be holding its annual 1-week encampment at Camp Ramah in Utterson, Ont. Program includes waterskiing and other water sports, land sports, kosher meals, arts and crafts such as kipot making, and much more.

If you are entering grades 5-12 and would like to spend a week in a Conservative Jewish environment, call **Mark Freedman**, regional youth director, at 789-0579 for further information and applications.

BRITISH PM PRAISES ORT'S WORK

During her recent trip to Israel, **Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher** toured the ORT School of Engineering at the Givat Ram campus of the Hebrew University and laid the cornerstone for a new ORT school in Ashkelon.

In speaking with senior ORT officials and Israeli Education Minister **Yitzhak Navon**, she praised ORT for providing young people with a broad scientific education enabling them to adapt to the needs of a rapidly changing technological society.

Mrs. Thatcher visited the ORT institution on the recommendation of her minister of employment, **David Young**. Young, a Jewish lawyer who has been active in ORT for many years, suggested that the organization for vocational training might serve as a prototype for a similar program in England, where unemployment is over 3 million.

HELP! HOMES NEEDED!

Jewish homes for international Maccabi Youth are needed. Call **Barbara Lampcov** at 636-1880 and be a part of the event of the summer, Aug. 15-21.

SPEAKERS BUREAU

Lubavitch Women's Speakers Bureau provides speakers for Jewish organizations. This program fosters mutual understanding within Judaism and dispels myths many Jews have about Orthodoxy.

Some of the topics frequently discussed are: What Is Lubavitch?; The Role of the Jewish Woman, and The Mikva.

For more information or to arrange for speakers, call 731-7000.

EMPLOYMENT FOR LIFEGUARDS

The City of Toronto department of parks and recreation has part-time and weekend positions available for lifeguards in local community recreation centres and schools this summer. The positions are suitable for summer school students and those interested in supplementing their present position.

Applicants must be at least 16 years of age and possess a current bronze medallion, a bronze cross award or a national lifeguard services award. In addition, qualified applicants will be required to successfully complete an aquatic orientation session.

For more information, those interested should call **Kevin Penny** at 392-7276 (for areas west of Yonge St.) or **Brad Boyd** at 392-7265 (for areas east of Yonge St.).

MOMENT THEATRE

Moment Theatre, an amateur theatre company working under two professional directors, is presenting a summer duo of 1-act plays at The New School of Drama, 390 Dupont St. (west of Spadina).

There's still time to catch Stops Along the Way by **Jeffrey Sweet** and directed by **Louise Nolan**, which runs to July 5. Bits & Pieces by **Corrine Jacker** and directed by **Tony Pearce**, goes on stage July 11-26.

Show times are Thursday and Friday, 8 p.m. and Saturday, 8 and 10 p.m. Admission is PWYC (pay what you can). For information, call 967-7882.

POTTERY EXHIBIT

New Vistas: American Art Pottery, 1880-1930, from the Cooper-Hewitt Museum opens at the George R. Gardner Museum of Ceramic Art, 111 Queen's Park on Tuesday, July 8. Circulated by the Smithsonian Institute Traveling Exhibition Service (SITES), the exhibit focuses on the major potters whose work established the art pottery movement in the U.S.

The exhibition includes 75 major examples of pottery, documents, period photographs and explanatory texts. It runs through to Aug. 16.

SUMMER LUNCH BREAK SERIES

The Summer Lunch Break Series in the courtyard of the Manulife Centre at Bay and Bloor continues on Tuesday, July 8, with limestone and marble sculpture by **Theo Willemsey** and **Linda Book**, on Wednesday, July 9, with a Mariposa Festival preview with acoustic guitarist and blues singer **Paul James** and Acadian style folk artist **Jamie Snider** and on Thursday, July 10, with lacemaking and spinning with **Ruth Barnett** and **Sarah Walker**.

The time is noon to 2 p.m. and there is no charge.

STUDENT VOLUNTEERS

Students! Are you looking for a challenging experience? Spring Garden Summer Project is looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help run its recreation program for multiply handicapped children. Volunteers will be matched on a one-to-one basis with a handicapped child to assist with physical and developmental exercises, creative play, swimming and outdoor programs.

The program will be held at a school in the central North York area. If you can commit yourself for three weeks to help with this important project, call the Volunteer Centre at 481-6194.

HOSPITAL VISIT

During a visit to Jerusalem's Shaare Zedek Medical Centre, Canadian ambassador to Israel James Bartleman and his wife Marie-Jeanne discuss the treatment of an Ethiopian child with Dr. Serem Freier, head of the hospital's department of pediatrics.

singles

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North Y Singles 20s and 30s invites you to a morning of horseback riding at Rocking Horse Ranch followed by a bring-your-own-picnic lunch. Meet at the Jewish Community Centre

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Organizations and People

What's New

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northern branch, 4588 Bathurst St., on Sunday, July 6 at 10 a.m. in the main lobby. Cost is $10. RSVP by calling **Leora** at 636-1880, ext. 260.

Join **North Y Singles 40 Plus** on Monday, July 7, at 8 p.m. in the upper lounge of the JCC, 4588 Bathurst St. Start off the evening with a slide presentation by member **Stanley Keil** and then stay on for music, refreshments and mingling. Charge is $1 JCC members, $2 non-members. For more information, call 636-1880, ext. 260.

JCC Singles invites all singles 19-34 and 35 plus to Labor Day Inter-City Singles Weekend 86 to take place in Toronto Aug. 30-Sept. 1. Join other singles from Montreal, Buffalo and throughout Ontario for a fun packed weekend that will include a Monte Carlo, brunch, guest speaker, dance, picnic at the islands and much more. To receive an application, call **Elizabeth** at 636-1880.

Attention 20-29-year-olds! **High Society** is hosting Toronto's first singles bash aimed specifically for people 20-29. This event is set for Sunday, July 6, at 8 p.m. at Elaine's (upstairs), 488 Eglinton Ave. W. There will be great music and videos. A large university crowd is expected, both graduate and under-graduate. Dress code is casual. Cover is $6. Call High Society at 446-1394.

JCC Valley Singles Centre is having a Coffee Break party on Sunday, July 6, at 8 p.m. at the home of **Marianne Reti** in Thornhill. Light refreshments will be served. Charge is $2 members, $3 non-members. RSVP in advance by calling Marianne at 731-2194 (no Saturday calls please) or **Sally** at 889-0813.....A round robin tennis and dance is arranged for Sunday, July 13, at the JCC Valley, 7015 Leslie St. Sign up for the tennis at 7 p.m. (bring your own tennis equipment). The dance begins at 9 p.m. There will be a disc jockey and refreshments. Admission is $4 members, $6 non-members. Call 889-0813 for information.

Interested in slo-pitch baseball? The **JCC Valley Singles Centre** is looking for anyone interested in playing co-ed slo-pitch baseball one evening a week from 7-9, possibly Tuesday. Everyone is welcome including families and children. At least 15 people are needed to make it successful. If you are interested, call the coordinator **Mel Osolky** at 497-0879 evenings or **Sally Kerbel** at 889-0813.

Jeff Perlmutar invites you to a July singles bash Tues., July 8, at 8.30 p.m. at Rooneys, 2 Rosehill Ave. (2 blocks south of St. Clair at Yonge). Cover is $6. Door prize is dinner for two at Le Connaisseur.....A Labor Day Weekend for Singles could be a dream come true. It's like going back to camp with water and land sports, social activities and much more. Don't be sorry you missed out. Call 731-5194 now for information.

Book now for **Metro Toronto Singles** annual Jewish singles weekend at Clevelands House Resort in Muskoka from Friday, Sept. 5-Sunday, Sept. 7. Some 400 singles are expected from across Canada and the U.S. Facilities include golf, tennis, aerobics, lectures and Saturday evening dance with a band. Booking deadline is Aug. 8. For more information, call **Sid** at 222-7111.

Young Professionals Club, ages 25-39, invites singles to register with and suggest new ideas for upcoming programs. Call **Sheldon** at 783-7666.

Club Moriah, the social and recreational club for singles 25-35, announces its summer evening program schedule — Tuesday, July 8 — movie night; Saturday, July 12 — 60s concert at Ontario Place; Tuesday, July 22 — movie night. A camping trip is planned for Aug. 1-4. For further information on these or other programs, call **Ralph** at 731-2163 or **Jeffrey** at 783-3019.

for seniors

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The **Senior Sinais of Temple Sinai**, 210 Wilson Ave., will meet on Tuesday, July 8, at 1 p.m. There will be entertainment by **Jean** and her acrobatic dancers. Refreshments will be served. Charge is $1 members, $1.50 non-members.

The **Senior Citizens Club of the Labor Zionist Alliance** meets daily at the Borochov Centre, 272 Codsell Ave., from noon to 4 p.m. Light lunches are available. Members enjoy an afternoon of chess, shuffleboard and cards.....Special shuffleboard is available every Tuesday evening at 7. A tournament is being planned. For information, call the club at 633-8579.....The Cultural Circle meets on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. On July 1 **Albert Bainnerman** spoke about 50 Years After the Spanish Civil War. Various speakers discuss interesting topics every week.....The group has just returned from a day trip to the Thousand Islands. A trip to the Catskills with six days and five nights at the Pines Hotel is arranged for July 20. Everything is included in the price. There are still a few seats left. Contact the club at 633-8579. The trip to Las Vegas with five days and four nights at the Tropicana Hotel is set for September.....At the July 18 luncheon there was a surprise 50th wedding anniversary party for **Joe and Ann Isenman** and **Sam and Tillie Englander**.

Upper Canada Friendship Club, 4266 Bathurst St., had a very successful free picnic June 17 for all the tenants. Tasty hamburgers, hot dogs, watermelon and soda pop were served. Everyone had a most enjoyable time. It was arranged by the 1st vice-president and social chairman **Rae Fergus** and volunteers **Dora Posluns, Meyer Collin, Morris Resnick, Gena Liner, Shymel Fox, Sally Escowitz, Raya Monijok, Pearl Rosenshine, Harry Pearlstein** and **Ziama Liner** took pictures. Also, entertainment was arranged by president and program chairman for entertainment and culture **Dora Posluns**. In addition, another $200 was raised for soldiers in Israel.

A garden party is being held Thursday, July 3, at 1.30 p.m. on the grounds of the **Joseph E. and Minnie Wagman Centre**, 55 Ameer Ave. Guests will include residents of Elm Ridge Home, Mon Sheong Chinese Home for the Aged, senior members of Hamilton Jewish Community Centre, and residents of Villa Columbo. Entertainment will be by **Sasha Starr** trio featuring singer **Mila Kanev** and the Maltese Dancers under the direction of **Yvonne Whitlock-Galea**. Refreshments will be served. Be sure to bring your sun hats. But in case of rain, party will be held indoors.

Wagman Centre summer outings this year include: Tuesday, July 2 — Stratford Festival Theatre to see Rodgers and Hart's The Boys from Syracuse from 9.30 a.m. to 7 p.m. at a cost of $36 Wagman Centre members, $39 guests; Wednesday, July 23 — Town and Country Square Shrine Circus from 3-6 p.m., price $4 members, $5 guests; Tuesday, Aug. 19 — Harbourfront boat tour from 1-4 p.m., $6 members, $7 guests; Sunday, Sept. 21 — Shaw Festival Theatre to see **Noel Coward's** Cavalcade from 9.30 a.m. to 7 p.m., $35 members, $38 guests for transportation and theatre (if you wish you can bring your own lunch). Cancelations are accepted up to 48 hours before the event. Sign up at the Wagman Centre desk.

Here's a list of **Wagman Centre** Baywalkers summer outings for July and August — Wednesday, July 16 — Ontario Place; Tuesday, Aug. 5 — High Park fitness trail; Thursday, Aug. 7 — G. Ross Lord Park; Friday, Aug. 8 — Flemington Park, and Wednesday, Aug. 27 — outing of group's choice. All events take place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., price $3. And bus seats are limited.

Wagman Centre Self-Help Widows Program for women 55-70 years of age, widowed less than two years, meets on Sunday, July 6, from 12.30-2 p.m. in the Lipa and Fanny Green Library of the centre, 55 Ameer Ave. For information, call the centre at 789-5131, local 2271, Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Elderly Widows 70 and Over Self-Help Program takes place Monday, July 7, from 1.30-3 p.m. in Rooms A and B of the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave. For information, call 789-5131, local 2271, Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The **Self-Help Widowers Program** for men over 55 is set for Wednesday, July 9, from 7.30-9.30 p.m. in the Lipa and Fanny Green Library of the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave. For information, call 789-5131, local 2271, Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The line and ballroom dancing at **Earl Bales Seniors' Place** is in full swing. Come out on Wednesdays from 7.30-9.30 p.m. and have an enjoyable evening with **Ada Goldblatt** assisted by **Irving Naftolin**. There is no charge. Earl Bales Seniors' Place is in the park at Bathurst and Sheppard.

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living is located at 1003 Steeles Ave. W. The phone number is 225-2112.

A reminder about the public affairs forum on Free Trade With U.S.A. taking place Wednesday, July 9, at 1.30 p.m. Guest panelists include **John Brady**, manager, trade and policy branch, Ontario ministry of trade and technology; **MP John Oostrom; Monte Kwinter,** Ontario minister of consumer and commercial relations, and **Everett Banning**, economics editor, Global TV. This forum is free and open to the community.

The Stepping Stones to a Creative Way of Life series continues on Tuesday, July 8, with Understanding Stress with **Frances Schwartz**, occupational therapist, community psychogeriatric services, Sunnybrook Medical Centre. The time is 1.30-3 p.m. Coffee will be served. Charge is 50c members, $1 non-members.

The Sunday afternoon program on July 6 features a concert with singer **Nancy Anderson**. The time is 2 p.m.

The Friendship Circle for people 55 plus and living on their own is having a meeting on Thursday, July 3, at 7 p.m. in the music room. **Brahm Elvey** will show slides on Paris, Amsterdam and Hong Kong. Don't miss it!

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FUND RAISING EFFORTS

Janice Langer (right) accepts $1,600 check on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal from Natalie Riback. The money was raised by grade 9 students of Associated Hebrew Schools and the presentation to Mrs. Langer was made during graduation banquet at B'nai Torah Synagogue. [Graphic Artists photo]

WINDSOR'S NEGEV DINNER HONOREE

Melvin Sorffer (2nd from left) was the honoree of Windsor's Negev Dinner held under auspices of the Jewish National Fund at Shaar Hashomayim Synagogue recently. With him (from left) are Sidney Lazarus, Negev Dinner chairman; Judge Carl Zalev, Windsor JNF chairman of the board; and Jack Stein, Windsor JNF president.

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LAW SCHOOL MEDAL WINNERS

The top three graduates from York University's Osgoode Hall Law School class of 1986 received medals for academic standing at the school's recent convocation ceremony.

Morton Dworsky received the gold medal, **James Morton** the silver, and **Steven Bloom** the bronze.

MEN'S CLUB EXECUTIVE

The 1986-87 executive of Beth Tzedec Men's Club, headed by president **William Gazer**, includes board chairman **Max Reiken**; 1st vice-president **Izzie Light**; 2nd vice-president **David Singer**; treasurer **Leonard Palter**; corresponding secretary **Joseph Solomon**; recording secretary **Larry Rachlin**; financial secretary **Mike Marks**, and immediate past president **Barry Signer**.

REENA PRESIDENT

At the recent annual meeting of the Reena Foundation, **Marilyn Raphael** was elected president for a 2-year term.

Marilyn Raphael

Marilyn Raphael has been involved with the Reena Foundation for the past 10 years — as chairman of Yorkdale Fun Day for four years and chairman of the annual dinner and a member of the board of directors. In addition she has been active in the Group of 35, Women for Soviet Jewry, the Adult Illiteracy Program of North York, Hadassah, and is currently a member of the Residential Placement Advisory Council of Ontario.

A fashion consultant, Marilyn is married to Toronto lawyer **Bert Raphael.** They have three children.

Also elected at the annual meeting were **Al Levin, Jerry Panet, Les Saperia** and **Ralph Snow,** vice-presidents; **Harley Mintz,** treasurer, and **Larry Ginsberg,** secretary.

The Reena Foundation seeks to provide developmentally handicapped adults with the training opportunities needed to become independent and productive members within the community.

Olim Shelanu

"No shortage of nachas in Israel," says Barkai

By
DAVID BIRKAN

Dani Barkai, 30, says, "a career hunt is easier in Israel, but the challenge is to find a livable wage."

Dani, the son of **Lily** and the late **Ben Kutner** of Toronto, graduated in zoology from the University of Toronto. He supported himself as a music teacher here.

Shortly after he moved to Israel, last August, he found work in the originally chosen field at Jerusalem's Biblical Zoo and now work for the Society for the Preservation of Nature. "Right now, I'm writing brochures for them, but I hope to spend more in the field soon."

An average Israeli salary is U.S. $250-$300 a month. The cost of living outside kibbutzim for moshavim is about half of Canada's.

"There is no shortage of nachas in Israel," said Barkai, formerly Daniel Kutner. "It was the greatest thrill to witness the development of the Ethiopian children who came regularly to the zoo, from being shy and timid to becoming healthy, exuberant youngsters."

Barkai talked to The Canadian Jewish News while on a recent visit in Toronto.

He lauded the informality of Israeli hiring practices: employers often "hire you on their first impression." He also said that being a native anglophone was a "definite advantage" in tourism and in industries that deal with visitors or export markets.

"The economy has stabilized and inflation is down, at least for the time being," he said. "But the measures are largely artificial, and many people are experiencing unprecedented hardship.

"The situation is a definite improvement over the previous chaos."

Dani's mother has been teaching at Associated Hebrew Schools since 1960.

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Mazel Tov to **Ruth Adler Dayan,** daughter of **Eli** and **Phyllis Adler** of Edmonton, on her burgeoning career as an international graphic artist. Two of her prints, Night Palm and Paper Flowers, have just been published as posters in London.

Ruth officially made aliya six months ago, but she has been living in Israel for the past 10 years off and on. She earned a BA in textile design at the Shenkar Institute of Technology and Design in Ramat Gan, a 3-year course. Subsequent experience and training include textile work in Israel, Europe and Canada, and a drawing course at York University. She won two awards at the Toronto Outdoor Art Exhibition a couple of years ago celebrating the city's 150th anniversary — one for the best graphics and one for the best print depicting Toronto's birthday.

An exhibition of her works was held recently at Marci Lipman Graphics in Toronto, where her works are carried throughout the year. They are also on display in galleries in New York and Tel Aviv.

"Breaking into art is difficult anywhere," she told The Canadian Jewish News during a recent visit to Toronto. "In Israel, where there's less money, it's particularly so. On the other hand, Israelis love art. You see more pictures in an Israeli home than elsewhere."

Ruth, who is based in Tel Aviv, plans to commute to Canada and Europe as her business thrives. She is designing a full-color series of T-shirt prints.

She married husband Avi, an Israeli, a year ago in Edmonton.

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Simcha Edell, 30, the son of **Sol Edell** of Toronto, is working with the Canadian Jewish Congress to bring out a directory of Toronto olim in Israel. So far, he has garnered less than 500 names.

Olim are invited to send their names and addresses to him directly at 18-6 Mitzpeh Nevo, Maalei Adumim, or to their local office of the Association of American and Canadian Israelis. In Toronto, the information can be given to the TJC's Jerry Fisher at the Lipa Green Building (635-2883).

A first printing in Israel of 1,000 copies is nearly finished. A copy will be mailed out to each oleh listed.

"We hope to set up a better communication system among present and future olim," said Edell, on a recent visit to Toronto. "We've been working on a picnic."

Edell, who made aliya six months ago, has started a printing-public relations company in Ramat Eshkol in partnership with another former Canadian, **Avraham Weiss** of Montreal. Weiss, who made aliya nine years ago, is an old friend of Edell's from Camp Moshava and Bnei Akiva days. Their company, Advanced Communications Limited, also produces audio-visuals and graphics.

Simcha and his wife **Dahlia,** an olah from London, have two young children, **Elisha** and **Shayna.**

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According to a report received by this reporter on his alma mater, the Mevasseret Zion absorption centre has nearly doubled its administrative staff.

A former director returned from shlichut service overseas to reclaim his promised position. The current director could be given no other suitable position to go to. After much debate and deliberation, an arbitrary line was drawn through the centre, half of which was put under the returnee's jurisdiction. He also received a parallel staff.

Centre residents must take care to consult the right office.

With no olim from Ethiopia coming in and very few from the West, the population of the absorption centre has dropped considerably.

Honor likely for diplomat

By
JOSEPH POLAKOFF

WASHINGTON — U.S. official honor is emerging for a Portuguese diplomat who during World War II suffered official disgrace and subsequently died in poverty after contravening orders to save the lives of some 30,000 refugees, including 10,000 Jews fleeing Nazism.

Rep. Tony Coehlo (D-Calif.), the only congressman of Portuguese origin, has introduced a resolution recognizing the heroism of Dr. Aristedes de Sousa Mendes who died in 1954. Upon its approval in Congress, President Ronald Reagan will be asked to forward the resolution to the president and national assembly of Portugal. More than a score of congressmen are co-sponsoring the resolution.

Following the collapse of the French Republic in June, 1940, thousands of refugees fled south to Bordeaux and away from invading armies. Neutral Portugal was the goal of many of them. As the consul for Portugal in Bordeaux, de Sousa Mendes disregarded his government's policy and issued visas to them to enter Portugal.

From 1938 until Spain closed its border to them late in 1940, many Jews escaped Nazi terror by going through the Bordeaux region into Spain and then to Portugal.

Portugal's government then sent two officials to Bordeaux to escort de Sousa Mendes back to Lisbon. He was dismissed from his post, stripped of his right to practice law, blacklisted from other jobs and omitted from the country's history of that period.

Israel honored de Sousa Mendes in 1967 when the government awarded him the Yad Vashem Medal, given to those who saved the lives of others during the Holocaust.

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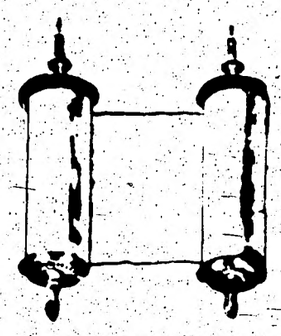

sparks from the torah

By
RABBI MEIR URI GOTTESMAN

Parshat Shelach

We have to remember who we are, what we are, and why we are.

A high minister in the czarist government demanded to know from the brilliant Rabbi Yitzchak of Volozhin why he wore such long tzitses — fringes — that hung out of his coat.

"Dr. So-and-So is also a practicing Jew, but his tzitses are not so long!"

"You have to understand," answered Reb Yitzchak. "The Bible tells us to wear tzitses so that we should not forget the commandments. Now, Dr. So-and-So is a brilliant scholar with a good memory, so short tzitses are enough. But a simple rabbi like myself from the old school — my memory is not that good — so I need long ones to remind me."

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We have to remember that we are a sacred people.

Consider . . . the Torah commanded the mitzvah of tzitses to surround us with holiness, and warned: "V'lo tasuru! Do not stray after your hearts and after your eyes that you lust after!"

But it's strange! First come the eyes, and then comes the heart?

But — explains the Toldot Ephraim — if the heart didn't lust after something, the eyes would not even see it!

They say that certain tzaddikim could not even see, could not even hear, something that was "tumah" — impure.

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Tavsht the Ostrovzer Rebbe: When a person has sinned and wants to purify himself, first he must sanctify the heart, and then the eyes will be easy to cure. That is why we first put on the tephillen of the arm — to face and cleanse the heart — and only then the tephillen of the head, to sanctify the eyes.

It is so hard to purify our eyes. All around us we are tempted, tempted . . . And yet somehow, we must still see the Holy Name, still not forget ourselves — who we are, what we are.

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The worse ugliness is machlokes — bitter fighting among ourselves.

In a certain town two Jews represented themselves as tzaddikim — holy Jews — and collected a group of followers. The two groups fought bitterly with each other.

Commented one wise man: When Abraham pleaded with God to save the wicked city of Sodom, he asked — "Perhaps there are 50 tzaddikim in the city!"

Why did Abraham look for 50 tzaddikim? If in a town where there are only two tzaddikim there is such fighting, certainly where there are 50 tzaddikim?

But Abraham argued — if there are 50 such tzaddikim in Sodom, why does God have to destroy the city? They will destroy themselves! Fifty Sodom tzaddikim can destroy anything.

Sodom was destroyed not because it was the worst city in the world, but because it was a wicked, cruel, bitter city within the Holy Land!

Eretz Yisrael cannot take cruelty! It cannot bear hatred! It cannot abide Jews fighting Jews!

We must pray for the peace of Jerusalem; we must pray for holy days and loving hearts.

Easy as ABC — Good shabbes.

Native Business Summit held

Mohawk Indians honor Koffler

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO — Somebody asked Murray Koffler last week: "Are you sure you don't have any Indian blood in your genetic background?"

The 62-year-old Jewish community leader replied: "No, I'm proud of my 100% Jewish ancestry."

But he was equally proud, said Koffler, to learn that the elders of the Mohawk Indian tribe of northern Ontario had conferred upon him the honorary title of Chief *Rotokense*.

Translated, it means "Dreamer of Great Dreams that Become A Reality."

The Jewish visionary was thus honored at the most recent of his dreams that has come to practical fruition — Canada's first Native Business Summit.

It was an historic event, sponsored by the Canadian government for $1.5 million, which involved more than 1,500 native and non-native entrepreneurs meeting for five days last week to work out joint business ventures together at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre.

The business forum featured such colorful highlights as the world's biggest canvas-roofed teepee covering a half acre of convention floor space; Canada's largest native art exhibition displaying works by 300 Indian and Inuit artisans; native fashion shows co-hosted by Toronto designer Marilyn Brooks; and a trade fair where buyers and sellers made deals out of 150 booths marketing everything from Eskimo-manufactured fibreglass canoes to Indian-harvested wild rice.

Koffler, who allegedly "retired" two months ago as board chairman of the Shoppers Drug Mart chain, was the busy catalyst chiefly responsible for making it all happen.

He founded the Canadian Council for Native Business last year, persuading 330 top corporate executives to pay $500 annual membership fees. In return, they served as brokers, bringing native and non-native entrepreneurs together in mutually profitable enterprises.

Out of it emerged the non-profit Native Business Summit Foundation. Koffler is one of the only three non-natives serving on its 20-member board of founding directors.

Princess Anne, when officially opening the Summit forum last week, exclaimed in astonishment, "Murray, what are *you* doing on this board?"

Koffler, who had received her as a guest at his 1,000-acre Jokers Hill horse farm near Toronto and in turn was invited to be a guest at her wedding to Mark Phillips, laughed and explained his interest in bettering the lives of Canada's first citizens.

But he has by no means lessened his interest in helping his fellow Jews in Israel.

Murray Koffler poses beside an "inakshuk" — Inuit for a rock guide signal in the Artic — at Canada's Native Business Summit. [Martin A. Loft photo]

Koffler made sure that Summit visitors were steered to the Degems System Ltd. booth, manned by Israeli Nicolas Frischmann.

Frischmann is promoting the sale of a computerized system, developed by Tel Aviv University scientists and already used by 30% of Israeli elementary school chidren, which efficiently teaches English as a second langauge.

Koffler and Frischmann hope that a model $135,000 unit — which includes 24 computer terminals, a printer, installation and the training of teachers — will be introduced to a band of Indians in northern Saskatchewan.

"All we need is one investor to put up $100,000 in risk capital," says Koffler, the optimistic Chief Dreamer of Great Dreams that Become A Reality.

His Canadian Council for Native Business numbers among its directors several Jewish leaders including Edward Bronfman, Dorothy Shoichet, Dr. Victor Goldbloom, Ralph Steinhauer, Sidney Schipper and Peter C. Newman.

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Created highly successful Dollars for David

Strong ideal of giving motivates Goldie Burstein

One of the "Women of Valor" honored recently by State of Israel Bonds, Women's Division, was Goldie Burstein, who is profiled here. This is the 7th in a series on the honorees.

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By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

Goldie Burstein believes very strongly in the maxim Belonging is Beautiful. "When I talk about belonging," she says, "everything counts, even when it's minuscule."

"I feel very privileged," she says about being one of nine "Women of Valor" honored recently by State of Israel Bonds, Women's Division. "In some small way, I've made a contribution. Listen, they didn't honor me because I'm a good cook!"

No, State of Israel Bonds chose Goldie because, like the other Women of Valor, she's no bored housewife who dabbles in this and that between teas. Goldie's been a member of Na'amat Pioneer Women for no less than 45 years. On top of that, she's been a volunteer par excellance for organizations like the Canadian Mental Health Association, United Jewish Appeal, United Way, the Canadian Cancer Society and a string of others.

"I have a real feeling of responsibility toward my Jewishness," says Goldie, who's proud to point out what she feels has been her crowning achievement through nearly a half-century of community work: the annual Dollars for David campaign.

"I was just another quiet member of Pioneer Women," Burstein, 62, recalled in a CJN interview, "until Dollars for David came along. Then, nothing could stop me. It was like a whirlwind carried me."

After a 1967 visit to an Israeli centre for deprived children, where there were no toys and, worse, no sound of laughter, Burstein felt "even more inspired to work harder." Pioneer Women worldwide, she points out, provides for fully 60% of Israel's social service facilities. So Dollars for David was a natural follow through for her.

The idea for the project got into Goldie's head in 1973, when her family gathered on Chanukah to exchange the traditional gifts and munch on latkes. Only two months before, war had broken out in Israel and left its usual wake of orphans and deprived kids. Why not, she thought, send those kids toys for Chanukah and make their holiday as meaningful as ours?

Goldie selected a sad-eyed 4-year-old boy named David as poster child for the campaign. David was being cared for in Israel in one of the orphanages sponsored by the Canadian chapter of Pioneer Women. Today, the original David is 17.

Every Chanukah since 1973, The CJN has distributed the orange Dollars for David envelopes to raise funds for the campaign. "At first," Goldie recalls, "I did everything: bookkeeping, fund raising, running around..." Today, as chairman of the drive, Burstein oversees an efficient Canada-wide operation that annually sends over $100,000 worth of games and toys to some 23,000 needy Israeli children in over 700 day care centres, homes and nurseries. Not long ago, the campaign spread to the United States.

Goldie Burstein

Every Chanukah, Goldie says, she gets bar mitzvah boys who mail in contributions and children who send in their Chanukah gelt. "But I get the most satisfaction when adults don't mail in a check but take the trouble to get the whole family involved. This idea was conceived as an educational process as well as a fund raising venture."

Following Goldie's marriage to dentist and sculptor Jimmy Burstein after World War II, her parents, she recalls, took in a young refugee boy from Poland. "They raised him as their own," she says. It is that sense of altruism, especially as a member of the Toronto Jewish community's well known Green family (her uncle was philanthropist Lipa Green) that drives Goldie today. That, and caring for her mother Dora Green, now 90.

As a Green, Goldie saw firsthand the building up of the Toronto Jewish community. She was raised in the Labor Zionist movement; her father Harry helped found the movement as well as the Jewish Folkshule, which would one day become Bialik, the largest Labor Zionist school in the world.

"In those days, you belonged," Goldie says. "So I joined Pioneer Women. Today, I'm happy to say, our places in Israel are bright and cheery. And that's due to Pioneer Women."

Aside from being a committed Zionist, Goldie's father ran Harry Green's, a men's clothing store in the city's garment district. "All kinds of people — members of parliament, sports figures, winos — would come in to shmooz and have coffee," Goldie says. "And I remember we had to listen to opera."

Her husband Jimmy is an accomplished artist, with several 1-man sculpture shows under his belt. The couple has three children, Candy, Judy and, not to be confused with Goldie's poster boy, a son named David.

Not long ago, Goldie returned to school, to complete a BA at York University. This year, she's concentrating on the Holocaust. "I just couldn't understand how it could have happened. The course is giving me a deeper understanding of its social and political aspects."

"When Bonds called me to say I'd be honored, I said, oh no, it should be this one or that one. The real heroes are the mothers of soldiers in Israel and the Refuseniks."

As a local hero, Goldie has accomplished much and shows no signs of slowing down.

Three lending organizations merge, make policy changes

By
JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —

After years of providing some overlapping services, three Jewish financial lending organizations have grown stronger by merging to become Toronto Jewish Assistance Services, says its executive director.

Dvorah Danziger told The CJN that the agency has been successful since the merger of Toronto Hebrew Re-establishment Services, Loan Cassa and the Scholarship-in-Aid program last August. As well as launching a major membership campaign, she said TJAS will soon be installing computers in its offices in the Lipa Green Building.

At the recent 1st annual meeting since the merger, Rupert Shriar, from Toronto Jewish Congress, provided an analysis of the new agency's role in the Jewish community and challenged its members to revitalize and strengthen the organization through an outreach program.

Danziger said that Shriar felt that TJAS played a vital role as it serviced the Jewish community's basic needs.

She said that the new agency provides financial assistance and counseling to people in need. It is funded by the United Way, Toronto Jewish Congress and through a membership campaign.

At the annual meeting major policy changes were adopted to allow all Jews in the Toronto area to apply for a business loan. In the past, only immigrants could apply. As well, the maximum loan was raised to $5,000 from $3,000.

The new executive of TJAS consists of Morrie Latchman, president; Gordie Kaufman, vice-president; Jack Schwartz, vice-president; Barry Tissenbaum, treasurer; Harold Hertzman, secretary; David Blank, membership; Harry Katz, chairman, Loan Cassa; Isaac Shoichet, vice-chairman, Loan Cassa; Jonathan Miller, chairman, Toronto Hebrew Re-establishment Services; Brahm Seitz, vice-chairman, Toronto Hebrew Re-establishment Services; Joseph Skolnik, chairman, educational loan program; Sherman Hans, honorary counsel; Ben Kayfetz, information officer; Rose Ziner, past president.

For more information on TJAS write 4600 Bathurst St. Willowdale, M2R 3V3 or phone 635-1217.

Sorry, it's "not" so

The typographer's demon apologizes for another prank, in The CJN's report (June 19) on a recent divorce symposium.

One participant, New York Rabbi Irwin Haut, said that since the 11th century, when it was decreed — and accepted — that a woman could not be divorced against her will, no changes have been made to the Jewish marriage and divorce laws.

This is how the sentence should have read. Unfortunately, the "not" was dropped.

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Michael Benjamin (right) congratulates Charles Diamond, his successor as chairman of the Toronto Jewish Congress social planning committee.

Diamond takes over social planning post

TORONTO —

Longtime community activist Charles Diamond has been appointed new chairman of the Toronto Jewish Congress social planning committee succeeding Michael Benjamin.

Congress president Ronald Appleby, who announced Diamond's appointment at the committee's recent year-end meeting, said the challenge of social planning "is to ensure that the quality of Jewish life in Toronto is at the highest level."

The committee identifies the current and future needs of the Jewish community, seeks necessary resources, and coordinates and monitors the services of its affiliated agencies.

In his initial remarks, Diamond noted that social planning is a "caring committee," and said he is looking forward to the challenges ahead.

The committee has pinpointed several priority programs to be implemented during his 3-year term, including Jewish day care, a TJC Focus Week, and special services for the elderly, the disabled, and Jewish youth.

Diamond has been involved in a myriad of Jewish community activities. He has headed the Major Gifts Division and the campaign cabinet for United Jewish Appeal, and currently serves as treasurer of United Israel Appeal and vice-president of TJC. He also headed the recently completed TJC library study committee.

Outgoing chairman Benjamin, who was thanked by Appleby for "outstanding" service, said "the committee is at the spearhead of the direction the community is going in, and the new courses we are taking point to an exciting future for the community at large."

Benjamin will become chairman of the newly formed TJC human resources committee.

Race relations post open

TORONTO —

The Metro Toronto Housing Authority is seeking a director of race relations policies and programs, Minister of Housing Alvin Curling has announced.

An agency of Ontario Housing Corp., the MTHA is responsible for more than 32,000 housing units in Metro Toronto.

The proposed appointment follows widespread consultation with local race relations and human rights groups who have expressed concerns about the climate within some projects in Metro Toronto.

The director will have a number of priorities, including the examination of all aspects of the racial climate in public housing in Metro Toronto, Curling said. This will be done through a committee consisting of tenants, community representatives, housing authority members and staff.

"The appointment will lead directly to a series of initiatives that will help avoid racial tensions, and bring housing authority staff and tenants closer together," the minister stated.

Applications for the director's position are available from the personnel section of the Metro Toronto Housing Authority, 1320 Yonge St., Toronto M4T 2W3, or by calling Barbara Budd at (416) 928-4914.

Kensington Karnival planned for July 5, 6

TORONTO —

Kensington Market, one of Toronto's multicultural jewels, will be transformed by music, activities and artistry of all kinds on July 5 and 6 as Kensington Karnival 86 makes its appearance.

The market is a magnet and focal point for several of the city's major ethnocultural communities and the Karnival has promoted artistic and cultural endeavors that reinforce the strengths of these groups.

This will be Karnival's fourth year and Circus Bizarro will enchant young and old with a new show. Story tellers, puppet shows and clown bands offer special delights for children.

Belleview Square Park will be transformed into the stage of Scenario Ambulante, a company of actor-musicians which creates itinerant environmental theatrical events in the tradition of European street theatre. The audience takes part in the performance as it follows the unfolding of the story.

Sheraton lauds Congress support

Hotel opens kosher kitchen

By LEILA SPEISMAN

TORONTO —

A new addition to the kosher catering scene appears this month with Sheraton Centre Hotel in downtown Toronto opening a kosher kitchen.

The Sheraton has always served large functions but this has entailed the kashering of the main kitchen, a major inconvenience, not to mention a major expense. Now there will be a completely separate kitchen, blocked off from the main facility, with Canadian Jewish Congress Orthodox Division supervising the kashruth.

Sheraton catering director Timothy Lilleyman and catering manager Erica Greenspoon see several benefits. First, the hotel will be able to cater for small numbers of people, such as a tea, a small- to medium-size bar mitzvah, or a brunch.

While the main kitchen will still have to be kashered for a large affair, the smaller kosher facility will make things much easier for the chef. Cold items, such as appetizers, desserts, or mousse, can be prepared ahead and stored here until needed.

This way, Lilleyman says, they can begin preparations several days ahead of a big event, which will not only be more convenient, but will give greater flexibility in menu planning.

Kosher cooking, says Greenspoon, does not have to be bland and unexciting. Indeed, she says, most people are anxious to try new kinds of food.

"Although established caterers will still be more than welcome," she insists, "we would really enjoy doing the catering ourselves. That way, the client will get basically the same gourmet cooking as at any hotel function, but adapted to conform to Jewish dietary laws."

An advantage of using a hotel for a function, they say, is the luxury and totality of the experience. People can have rooms, suites, programs, and food, all in the same place.

As well, Lilleyman spoke of their effort to remove all worries from the shoulders of their clients: "We are always here during an affair: we do the worrying and organizing."

"The clients have a picture of what they want in their minds — we make it happen," says Greenspoon.

Both spoke appreciatingly of the support and encouragement given them by Congress, especially Orthodox Division executive director Nachman Shemen. "They never said something couldn't be done — they always suggested alternatives."

Ruth Shapiro (back row, second from right) recently organized a reunion of soldiers who helped liberate Tilberg during World War II. Present at the reunion were (back row, left to right) Paul Commisarow, Esther Commisarow, Ruth Shapiro, Anita Mayer; (middle row, left to right) Mien Mayer, Julius Mayer, Mrs. S. Malkin, Avrum Miller; (front row, left to right) Rebecca Miller, Mrs J. Miller, Dr. Sol Malkin, Jack Miller.

Soldiers recall war years

TORONTO —

It was a time to swap stories and pictures and relive the past as soldiers who helped liberate Tilberg, The Netherlands, during World War II gathered at a recent reunion.

The reunion came about as the result of Ruth Shapiro being shown a copy of the Canadian Jewish Army Prayer Book during a trip to her home town of Tilberg last October. The book had been given to her father's cousin and was autographed by some of the Jewish soldiers who were stationed in Tilberg during the liberation from October 1944 to early 1945.

Interested in meeting with the soldiers who helped save her father's and his family's lives, Shaprio sent a letter to The Canadian Jewish News (Dec. 5) enclosing a list of the soldiers and their addresses asking for help in locating the men.

She said a number of the soliders responded to her call and came out for a reunion which also included the mayor of Tilberg. Guests included Dr. Isadore Cass, brother of Rabbi Samuel Cass, the unit's chaplain, Paul Commisarow of Edmonton and Dr. Sol Malkin of Winnipeg.

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Rabbi Yechezkel Zweig affixes mezuzah at opening of seniors' residence in London's Jewish community complex.

Beth Tefilah says goodbye to its rabbi

By
DAVID BIRKAN

LONDON, Ont. —

Beth Tefilah Congregation recently celebrated its 19th anniversary, bade farewell to its spiritual leader of six years, Rabbi Yechezkel Zweig, and launched plans to welcome a new Sefer Torah.

The occasion was a congregational dinner at its Adelaide St. premises, arranged by gabbai Joel Morris, 27, and longtime president Dr. Stanley Sober and his wife Marilyn.

Rabbi Reuven Bulka, spiritual leader of Ottawa's Machzikei Hades Congregation, delivered the tribute to his colleague. He described the relationship between a rabbi and his congregation as a close family unit, and lauded Beth Tefilah and Rabbi Zweig for their obvious contributions to each other's happiness.

Beth Tefilah, an Orthodox congregation with a membership of some 100 families, is "a warm and friendly synagogue," Rabbi Zweig told The Canadian Jewish News.

"London is primarily a university town, with a high degree of academics and professionals," he said. "Beth Tefilah has a healthy mix of these and older Europeans, as well as a number of Russian families.

"When people enter our doors, they leave all their labels and professional titles outside. Inside we are friends who are concerned with each other's welfare," said Rabbi Zweig.

He described relations with London's two other major congregations — Or Shalom, a Conservative synagogue led by Rabbi Howard Hoffman, and Temple Israel, a new Reform synagogue that has not yet chosen a spiritual leader — as close.

The London Community Hebrew Day School, which will include a grade 8 class as of September, is "a thriving concern" serving every segment of the city's 3,000-member Jewish community, according to Rabbi Zweig.

Beth Tefilah provides high school level classes in Torah and Talmud for teenagers across the community. "Two of the boys still going here are 18 and 19," said Rabbi Zweig.

There is an active Jewish Community Centre, part of a complex that includes a residence for seniors.

The synagogue has a daily minyan all year round.

About to be completed is a Sefer Torah commissioned by the shul in Israel. A gala celebration is planned to mark its arrival in September.

Participants at the tribute dinner included Dr. Shel Krakofsky, a general practitioner who moved to London about 15 years ago. Gabbai Morris is working toward a doctorate in philosophy at the University of Western Ontario.

Zweig, a native of New York City and a graduate of Ner Israel Yeshiva of Baltimore, is moving to take the pulpit of Paramus. The New Jersey town is "20 minutes outside of upper Manhattan."

Zweig and his wife Malka, whose uncle, the late Israel Klaven, helped found the Rabbinical Council of America, have seven children ranging in age from 6 months to 10½ years.

He will be replaced at Beth Tefilah by another native New Yorker, Rabbi Shalom Kurz, a graduate of Yeshiva University.

Leo Baeck expands language curriculum

Tal Sela program helps teachers

By
MARK DODICK

TORONTO —

A new Hebrew language curriculum that will improve the ability of teachers to teach their students is being introduced in the 1986-87 school year for grades 2 to 6 at The Leo Baeck Day School, the school's director says.

The Tal Sela program was developed by a team directed by Tova Shimon for the Jewish Education Council of Greater Montreal, says Dr. David Cohen. It has been in use for about four years now by about 40 schools across the continent.

Parts of the program have been used at Leo Baeck this year, and next year will be used as the main curriculum for teaching Hebrew language, composition, grammar, spelling and vocabulary, Cohen says.

He adds that the program is already being used in Toronto by Netivot Ha-Torah Day School.

Previous material relied heavily on teacher input, says Cohen, "and not all teachers are able to write individualized educational programs.

"Most of the material which has been available for day schools comes out of Israel and therefore lacks in interest level and appropriateness for readability."

However, the Tal Sela program offers content relevant to North Americans and includes teacher training manuals and ancillary materials; Hebrew programs do not, he says.

Dr. David Cohen

"This is a total program, the kind of professional program that frees our teachers from writing curriculum so they can spend their time and preparation for teaching."

The program is composed of five units thematically organized and designed to be taught at specific times during the school year.

The units are: Between Man and Self; Between Man and our Environment; Purim Through the Ages; From Bondage to Freedom; and People in the Land. The teachers complete the program by devising their own units related to Shavuoth.

However the program is only 80% of the Hebrew curriculum, and does not include any of the religious aspects which are teacher generated, the director adds.

Cohen, who assumed his duties this year, says that introduction of the Tal Sela program will help fulfil his mandate to bring the level of the Judaic and Hebrew studies program to the same level as Leo Baeck's general studies program.

Both teachers and parents have been supportive and enthusiastic about the new curriculum, he says. Cohen notes that he used Tal Sela previously in day schools in New York, New Jersey and Texas and it is still being used in those schools.

At the same time that Leo Baeck is introducing a new Hebrew curriculum, Cohen is also moving to have students return to the roots of the Reform movement.

He wants students to deal with original material in original sources and relate it to today's society.

This means, he says, that students in grades 7 and 8 will deal with the Mishna and other source materials and will come to terms with them in light of Reform theology.

He says he plans to return students to the skill level of the originators of the Reform movement.

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"We plan to give it our best shot"

Rabbi excited, nervous about making aliya

By
VIVIEN SHARON

TORONTO —

Rabbi Robert Marcus, spiritual leader of Beth Tikvah Synagogue, is looking forward to making aliya with his family in July, but he admits to being both "excited" and "nervous" about the impending move.

"Since being married we have always toyed with the idea of making aliya," says Marcus, 49, whose mother and sister live in Jerusalem.

"The final impetus came when our 20-year-old son, David, made aliya two years ago to serve in the Israeli army. It was either now or much, much later," said the Conservative rabbi in a recent interview.

Speaking calmly but emotionally, Marcus says they are going with their eyes very much open. "We have seen many families settle in Israel only to return after a year or two. We plan to give it our best shot and we want to succeed. If we don't, we will be very disappointed," he said.

The rabbi's wife, Micki, is a social worker with York Community Services. Her expertise lies in family abuse and wife-battering, a field that unfortunately is very much required in Israel, he says.

"Yet, before she can work, she will have to take a 6-month intensive Hebrew ulpan," he adds.

Their son, Ari, 18, will attend Tel Aviv University, and daughter Rebecca, 14, an "excellent" high school there. He is confident that their Hebrew day school education at Associated Hebrew Schools and CHAT has provided them with a strong Hebrew foundation.

The Marcus' have rented an apartment in Afeka, a lovely suburb of Tel Aviv. He hopes to find a position in the field of adult education and plans to collate his sermons of more than 18 years into a book.

Of his 15-year tenure at Beth Tikvah, Rabbi Marcus accords it the highest accolades: "If I weren't a rabbi here, this is the synagogue I would most like to join as a member.

"My experiences here has been most enriching. There is a strong Jewish commitment at Beth Tikvah and its membership is composed of well informed, practising Jews," says Marcus, who is the past president of the Rabbinical Assembly of America, Ontario Region.

Born in New York City, Marcus served on the Toronto Board of Rabbis, was a board member of the United Synagogue Day School, and previously held pulpit posts at Beth Israel Synagogue Centre in Derby, Conn. and Oak Ridge, Tenn. Before his arrival to Toronto in 1981, he was the director of the Ezra Academy, a Solomon Schechter Day School.

He feels his greatest impact at Beth Tikvah has been pastorial, in the role of counseling individuals in various life cycle situations. He is also proud of the synagogue's adult education program, the appreciation of Jewish scholarship, the movement toward traditional norms in Beth Tikvah's religious services, and the commitment toward social action which embraces Soviet Jewry, and such global issues as poverty, anti-apartheid, and the fight for world justice.

"I have tried to instil from the pulpit a sense of moderation and acceptance of pluralism within the Jewish community. The love of all our fellow Jews is very important," he stressed.

By far the most volatile issue, he says, has been that of the role of women in Jewish ritual. "There is no doubt that we have made progress. Beth Tikvah has moved slowly enough not to make too many people uncomfortable, yet fast enough to see real change."

While he envisages women to be counted in the minyan and participate fully in Torah readings, he cannot visualize a female rabbi at Beth Tikvah — "at least not during my lifetime."

Rabbi Robert Marcus

Jamaican group to host meeting with BB Lodge

TORONTO —

More than 50 members of the Jamaican Canadian Association will be hosting the members of the Wilson Heights Lodge of B'nai B'rith Canada in the second meeting of the League for Human Rights Intercultural Dialogue Program, Sunday, July 6.

The first meeting of the program was hosted by Wilson Heights Lodge and was "so successful that all the participants were committed to continuing," says Morley Wolfe, co-chairman of the league's community liaison committee.

At the upcoming meeting, to be held at the Canadian Jamaican Centre on Dupont St., the two groups hope to delve into some of the ethnocultural problems experienced by each community, Wolfe said.

He said that the program, part of an ongoing effort by the league to promote positive community relations in Toronto, will produce "a truly multicultural community where individual communities will have connections with and understanding of each other."

The long-term goals of the program include expanding the dialogue to include several ethnic groups, Wolfe added.

Protest planned

TORONTO —

Jewish Students' Network will hold a protest in front of the Austrian consulate on July 7 at 7:15 p.m., 390 Bay St. to show disapproval of the election of Kurt Waldheim as Austria's president. Waldheim will be inaugurated on July 8.

After assembling outside the consulate, the students plan to hold a "walking vigil" to Queen's Park.

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Organizations and People

Dr. Alfred Intrator, DVI Canada co-chairman (left), at work as a volunteer dentist at the children's dental clinic in Jerusalem.

...but Israeli clinic continues work

Dentists cancel services

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

Recent terrorist attacks are having an unexpected impact on one aspect of life in Israel.

Dentists who had volunteered their services for 1-, 2- or 3-week stints in a free clinic in Jerusalem are canceling, leaving the clinic scrambling to fill the vacancies.

Despite those setbacks, the Dental Volunteers for Israel Jerusalem Children's Clinic is continuing to offer the only free dental services for indigent children in Israel's capital city, says a volunteer spokesperson for DVI Canada.

The 5-year-old clinic, founded by Holocaust survivor Trudi Birger, is continuing to treat needy kids at no charge, says the spokesperson. The result is that children who previously received no care, can now look forward to receiving the best care, bar none, anywhere in the world.

That's because the volunteers who staff the clinic include "top professionals" who practice state of the art dental techniques.

Israeli children, Ethiopian immigrants, and recently, Arab children, take advantage of the world class dental care, undergoing extractions, root canals and other treatment. They and their parents are also given instruction on proper oral hygiene, as part of the new program of preventive care instituted at the clinic.

Early in the year, the clinic opened a pre-fab building adjacent to the main clinic where the children are shown slides and taught how to brush properly.

About 25,000 youngsters have gone through the doors of the DVI clinic since it opened for business, but organizers are hoping to boost the annual totals by inaugurating a second, afternoon shift during the summer.

That, in part, is where the need for more dentist volunteers comes in. Last year eight Canadian dentists spent an average of two weeks at the central Jerusalem clinic and "at least a dozen" are expected for 1986, says Dr. Alfred Intrater of Toronto, a member of DVI Canada.

Intrater, who works in Israel every year, says the clinic performs a much needed service as "the general dental health situation (in Israel) is very bad, in particular around Jerusalem since it has no (water) fluoridation."

DVI, Intrater said, is trying to raise funds for a fluoridation system. The projected cost is $250,000.

On the home front, DVI volunteers are planning their "annual event" for Sunday, Sept. 21. This year, organizers expect to offer "a spectacular musical" in a unique setting — a restored Toronto stately residence.

The event, which includes a film and a discussion of the clinic, also doubles as a fund raiser. Last year $35,000 was raised by DVI Canada, including a $10,000 contribution by the Women's Auxiliary of the Alpha Omega Fraternity.

DVI, run almost completely by volunteers, is funded by private donations, with Canadians contributing about 25% of the clinic's $140,000 operating costs. DVI also welcomes donations of medical equipment, such as x-ray film and silver amalgam.

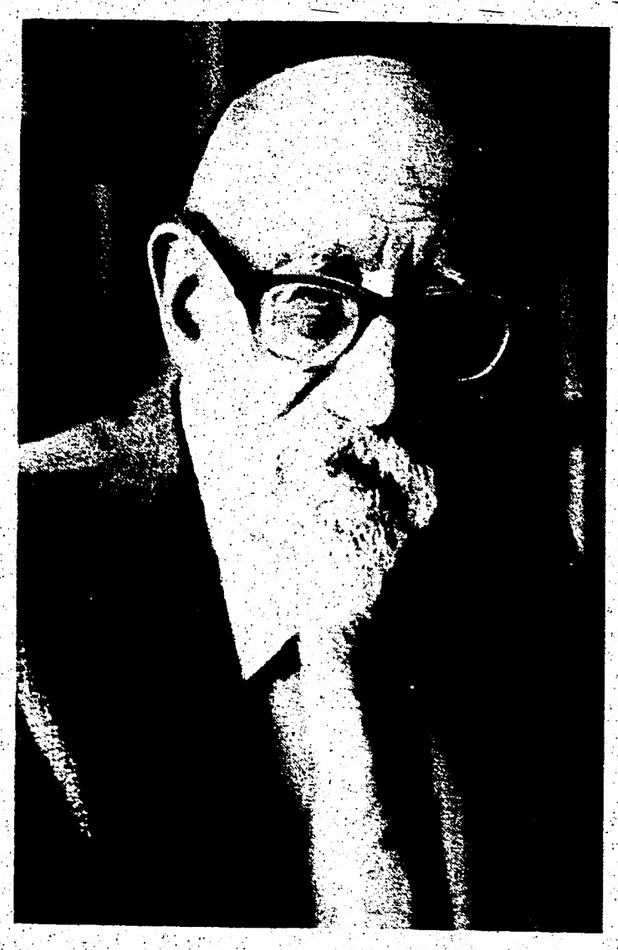
One fund raising mechanism now employed by the local volunteers are DVI Tribute Cards — cards which acknowledge a birthday or other notable event. They are available in packages of 6 for $25.

Cash donations are also welcomed with most coming in "dribs and drabs" of $18 or $25.

You can order Tribute Cards by calling Carol Rosenthall at 445-7668 or Rochelle Florence at 925-8933 (days) or 781-5024 (evenings) or you can mail your check to DVI-Canada at 212 Dunvegan Rd., Toronto, M5P 2P2.

Dentists interested in participating as volunteers — they have to pay their own air fare though accommodations are provided free — can contact either Dr. Max Florence at 925-8933, Dr. Alfred Intrater at 654-4443 or Dr. Harry Rosenberg at 651-0880.

German university honors Birnbaum



Solomon Birnbaum

TRIER, West Germany —

The University of Trier has awarded an honorary doctorate to Prof. Solomon Birnbaum of Toronto, 95, for his "more than 70 years of continuous and often path-breaking contributions to research in Yiddish."

Some 200 scholars of Yiddish, most of them non-Jews, came from various parts of Europe to attend the convocation. They included many younger scholars who have consulted Birnbaum's works for years and have been influenced by his books and articles, including his famous Yiddish (University of Toronto Press, 1979).

His first important book, a grammar of the language was written in 1915, which was last reprinted in 1984.

Walter Roll, dean of humanities and professor of early Germanic philology at the University of Trier, presented the degree and described Birnbaum's pioneer work in establishing Yiddish studies as a discipline and his "profound influence" on the growth of the field, particularly since World War II.

It was not until 1922 that Yiddish first entered the curriculum of any university in the world. Due to Birnbaum's efforts Yiddish courses were instituted in Hamburg University in that year, with himself as instructor, Roll said.

Birnbaum held the Hamburg post until the rise of Hitler in 1933 when he left Germany. He lived in England from 1933 to 1970, holding concurrently academic posts at the University of London in two fields: Hebrew Paleography, and East European Jewish Studies. Since his retirement from the university in 1956, he has continued his research.

The ceremony concluded with a lecture by Birnbaum, who was greeted with a standing ovation.

Birnbaum and his wife came to Canada in 1970, to join their sons Eleazar, who is professor of Turkish studies at the University of Toronto, and David, an environmental planner with the Ontario government.

Another son, Jacob, lives in New York where he serves as national director of the Centre for Russian and East European Jewry. A daughter, Eva Guttentag, lives in England.

Toronto to have Dial-A-Shiur

TORONTO —

An innovative approach to learning about Judaism, called Dial-A-Shiur, will soon be available in Toronto, reports Tuvia Basser, technical advisor to the project.

Basser, an electrical engineer, explained that the program is an extension of the highly successful Dial-A-Daf project, which has been functioning for two years, and is now found in at least 20 cities in North America.

Basser credits Moshe Rabbi Lowy, of Agudath Israel Congregation, and Dial-A-Shiur committee members Dr. Alan Seidenfeld, Dr. Tommy Kohn, Harry Korngut and Rabbi Hesh Nussbaum for organizing and implementing the project here.

In Dial-A-Daf, participants telephone each day to hear a tape covering an entire page of Gemora. Connected to the Daf Yomi concept, in which people study the entire Talmud in a 7-year period, it is a demanding effort, designed for people who have a strong background in Jewish studies.

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The taped lectures, most of which are in English, although one or two are in Yiddish, are supplied by Torah Communications Network in New York, which also created Dial-A-Daf.

The lecturers, who do their own research and prepare their own tapes, are all highly qualified: the history lecturer, for instance, says Basser, is Rabbi Nosson Scherman, editor of the popular Artscroll Series of books on Judaica.

Cost will be $12 per month, plus a $36 initiation of service fee.

The committee sees Dial-A-Shiur as appealing to, among others, housewives, shut-ins, the elderly, students, or those with a schedule too hectic to attend regular classes.

For further information on Dial-A-Shiur, contact Rabbi Hesh Nussbaum at 783-4374. **P.L.**

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Organizations and People

Dr. Matt Schmerling

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Schmerling succeeds Strub

New chairman for Bonds

By
MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —

Dr. Matt Schmerling has succeeded Leo Strub as general chairman of Hamilton State of Israel Bonds in leadership appointments in the organization. Marvin Caplan continues to serve as associate chairman while Judy Schwartz and Faye Leibtag have become co-chairmen of the Women's Division, succeeding Isabel Strub.

Schmerling, a dentist, is a long-time member of B'nai B'rith who has been involved with the Bonds organization for a number of years, serving as liaison officer for Hamilton Lodge. In 1979 he received his first Israel Bonds leadership award.

As president of Hamilton Lodge, Schmerling participated in the 1982 B'nai B'rith fact-finding mission to Israel and Lebanon, and in 1984 he won the Hamilton Lodge Mealy Feinman Man Of The Year award.

He has also served on the boards of the Hamilton Jewish Federation and Beth Jacob Synagogue.

Marvin Caplan, owner of Marvin Caplan's Gentlemen's Apparel, has served as associate Bonds chairman for several years and has also been active in UJA. He is a member of the Grand Order of Israel; Viceroy Reading Lodge, B'nai B'rith; a board member of Beth Jacob Synagogue and an associate member of Adas Israel Congregation.

Judy Schwartz, a former executive board member of National Council of Jewish Women, has been on the local Bonds executive for a number of years and an executive member of the UJA women's division for over 10 years.

She is also a former convenor of the Hamilton's Hadassah-WIZO Youth Aliya Breakfast, and recently stepped down after serving two years as president of the Beth Jacob Sisterhood.

Faye Leibtag served as Women's Division vice-chairman last year. She is a past president of Adas Israel Sisterhood and has for many years been actively involved with Hamilton Hadassah, holding numerous positions, including that of president of Chai Chapter. She is a life member of Hadasah as well as a charter member of Hamilton Women's ORT.

An additional appointment is that of Larry Paikin as chairman of the newly formed Bonds Israel Tourism Council of Hamilton.

Green light for CHAT

TORONTO —

Trustees at the North York Board of Education have voted to allow Community Hebrew Academy of Toronto (CHAT) to expand and take over space occupied by a day care centre in the building. (CHAT is located in a former North York public school).

CHAT's lease states it would have first crack at any space that would open up in the building should it need the room.

The Children Are People day care centre rented three rooms at CHAT for the past four years. As of July 31, the centre will have to move out, despite a recent campaign by employees to be allowed to stay.

"It's not good news," admitted Firoz Sharif, a director of the centre. "We're looking for other spaces now."

The centre had 72 full time children and some 100 part time. It charged $79 per child per week.

Sharif couldn't say how soon the centre would relocate. In the meantime, families are scrambling to find other day care for their children.

A CHAT official says the population at the school has ballooned to almost 500 students and the extra space is needed.

Teen looking forward to BC, Thailand stint

By
MARK DODICK

TORONTO —

A local Jewish youth is about to embark on the adventure of his life.

Ken Gangbar will leave soon to start a 7-month exchange program organized by Canada World Youth. He'll go first to British Columbia and then to Thailand.

Canada World Youth, a Canadian non-profit organization, offers youth exchanges between Canada and Third World countries to foster tolerance and better understanding of development.

The program is now in its fifteenth year, and it is the second year it has included Thailand. Thirty-six countries have been involved and 6,000 young people from Canada and exchange countries have participated.

Gangbar departs July 6 for 3½ months in the small British Columbia communities of Lumby and Enderby (near Vernon).

There he and 27 other Canadians participating in the Thailand exchange, and 28 youths from Thailand will gather to learn about development in Canada and the Third World, the Thai (or English) language and work in community projects.

Ken Gangbar

After the Canadian portion of the program is completed, participants fly to Thailand where they will perform similar activities for a 3½-month period.

"It's hard to say what I would like to get out of the program most of all," says Gangbar. "One of the main things is involvement."

Gangbar who has visited Israel and "would love to go back," plans to search out the Jewish community of Bangkok while in Thailand.

Gangbar who recently graduated from Forest Hill Collegiate Institute, plans to go to university after his program is completed.

He says he intends to study nutrition or physical education, but adds his plans may change depending upon his experiences with the exchange.

As part of the program, Gangbar is obligated to collect $200 of the $10,000 total cost, preferably from organizations, in return for which, he will speak to the sponsoring group(s) about his experiences or provide some other form of service. For more information contact Gangbar at 783-6619 or 487-3938.

For more information about Canada World Youth, contact the Ontario regional office at (416) 922-0776, or write to 627 Davenport Rd., Toronto, M5R 1L2

Chavurat Hamasoret offers study sessions

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

University-aged students interested in Jewish texts and traditions will have a new place to study this fall.

That's when Chavurat Hamasoret gets under way. Chavurat Hamasoret, translated loosely as group of tradition, is a new idea circulated by a number of Conservative rabbis and laymen with the goal of strengthening the knowledge of Jewish traditions and learning among young Jews.

"We felt that those who came up in United Synagogue Youth and Camp Ramah were looking for something and we wanted the people in university to feel welcome in the Conservative movement," says Jonathan Shiff, director of Chavurat Hamasoret.

Jonathan Shiff

The "we" Shiff referred to is the brain trust behind the chavura, Rabbis Phil Scheim, Howard Markose and Lawrence Troster, and Judy Markose, director of Camp Ramah.

These rabbis will be among the educators who will lead the discussion/study groups next fall, says Shiff. The format calls for weekly ongoing study classes in Torah and Talmud plus a continuing lecture series on a variety of topics — from kashruth to Jews and Israel.

The study sessions, geared to 18-25-year-olds, will be held in centrally located Conservative synagogues and, should demand warrant it, on campus as well.

Both men and women are welcome, says Shiff, no matter what their level of previous study. A public meeting is planned for late August at which organizers will explain the course in more detail and gauge the response.

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Organizations and People

CJC collects data

Halfway house for Jewish prisoners studied

By
MARK DODICK

TORONTO —

A Canadian Jewish Congress committee is collecting data to determine if there is sufficient need to establish a community-supported halfway house in Toronto for Jewish prisoners.

If completed, the house would be the first in North America to serve Jewish prisoners who have completed their sentence, those on parole or probation. And the house will have a clear Jewish identity by virtue of support structure and programming, Toronto criminal lawyer Steve Skurka says.

The local initiative comes at a time when an international umbrella organization, the Coalition for Jewish Prisoner Services, has been formed to improve aid to Jewish prisoners and their families.

The coalition was established in April at the first National Conference on Service to Jews in Prison held in Washington.

Skurka, chairman of the prison sub-committee of the chaplaincy services committee of CJC Ontario Region / TJC for two years, represented Congress at the conference. He sits on the steering committee of the coalition.

Rabbi Moshe Barkany, coordinator of chaplaincy services for Jewish Family Services in Montreal was the other Canadian participant at the conference, which was supported by B'nai B'rith International.

Of the 50 delegates, many came from across the U.S. and some from Israel, representing different denominations and interested organizations.

Rick Ross, coordinator of Jewish Prisoner Services of the Jewish Family and Children's Service of Phoenix, Ariz. was elected chairman.

Among the adopted recommendations were: a training program for chaplains; developing a resource book on Jews and Judaism for distribution to prisons; and creating a newsletter for prisoners.

The conference also adopted recommendations related to serving the needs of the prisoner's family.

Besides other work related to Jewish prisoners, Skurka is also heading the 6-member group working on the halfway house project. That committee includes Harold Smith, a Jewish probation officer, Alan Sheps of Jewish Family and Child Service, Milton Friedman of Jewish Vocational Service, Dr. Rolf Lederer, chairman of the chaplaincy committee, and Rabbi Sheldon Steinberg, director of chaplaincy services for CJC / TJC.

They plan to submit a formal proposal to the government by August to enable the house to open by April 1987, Skurka says. Initial contact with provincial officials has been favorable, he adds.

By Skurka's estimates,

Rabbi Sheldon Steinberg

Steve Skurka

and those of Rabbi Steinberg, about 50 Jews are in prisons in Ontario.

About 50 more Jews are in prisons in the rest of the country, Steinberg says.

"The halfway house won't solve all the problems but what it will do is make it possible for Jewish prisoners to live like Jews," says Steinberg.

"It will show them that the community is open to them, that they have a future.

"There's a lot of things that have to happen for people in jails," says Steinberg. "We have to satisfy their Jewish needs, not only their religious needs — for example, the idea that God has not forsaken them.

"They are no less a human being by having made an error. They shouldn't be regarded as a shameful blot on the Jewish community."

The halfway house that is planned will initially have facilities for six to eight men (either finished their sentence, out on parole or on probation), on a full-time basis, says Steinberg.

Cost of the house is yet to be determined and will depend upon federal and provincial government support, and participation by JFCS, JVS and Congress.

"However, without Jewish input financially, the Jewish character and the need of the Jewish community for a halfway house cannot be met," Steinberg says.

"Governments are not prepared to give anybody a free ride. If a Jewish environment is not present then the likelihood is the government will not see the need of the Jewish community in any way."

When Jewish prisoners come out of prison "they just cut their ties to the community," says Steinberg. "That's why it's important for the Jewish community to follow through.

"Because somebody is a criminal does not take away the person that was before the crime was committed."

The halfway house is only one example of the community effort to improve conditions for Jewish prisoners. Another is the regular prison visitation program by about 10 volunteers, which can always use additional help.

For more information on how to become involved, contact Chaplaincy Services at 635-2883.

Robyn Linden (left) won 1st prize — a trip to Ottawa — in the St. Paul's essay writing contest. While in Ottawa, she met with Barbara McDougall and Joe Clark.

Students want Canada to play peacekeeping role

TORONTO —

Canada is a peacekeeping nation and must continue to play that role to help avoid global annihilation, according to high school students in the federal riding of St. Paul's.

Students in grades 11, 12 and 13 living in the Toronto riding were recently invited to participate in an essay contest sponsored by Barbara McDougall, MP for St. Paul's. Essays of not more than 750 words were submitted on the following subject: "Traditionally, Canada's role in international affairs has been viewed by other countries as that of a peacekeeper. In this, the United Nations designated year of International Peace, do you feel that this role should continue?"

The essays were judged for both content and style and the best essays not only included a discussion of Canada's traditional role as a peacekeeper, as well as an exploration into its future role in international affairs, but also presented arguments clearly and concisely.

Robyn Linden was the first prize winner. Linden wrote about the present makeup of Canada's population resulting in natural links to many countries. She went on to outline Canada's past role in the United Nations and former Prime Ministers Lester Pearson's and Pierre Trudeau's peacekeeping initiatives. She continued by explaining how Prime Minister Brian Mulroney and External Affairs Minister Joe Clark are continuing this tradition.

"Canada's traditional role as a peacekeeper has established our country as a peace loving nation eager to share this love with all countries of the world," the winning essay opens. "It must continue this role and keep its independence and notable indentity from other nations. 'The International Year of Peace' is a fine idea and one that should be endorsed by Canada and supported by Canadian citizens. Canada's success in establishing itself as a peacekeeping nation should make every Canadian citizen a proud one."

For her first place essay, Linden received an engraved plaque and traveled to Ottawa for two days. During her stay, she enjoyed private tours of Parliament Hill, the offices of the department of finance, and the PM's office. She also had lunch with McDougall in the Parliamentary Dining Room and was introduced to Joe Clark.

Paul Waxman took second place and received a briefcase embossed with Canada's emblem and an engraved plaque. Waxman concentrated on the views of young Canadians towards international peace and explained Canada's past in UN peacekeeping forces. He wrote of Canada's role in assisting the Third World in feeding itself, and how the country should work in the future to ensure international peace.

Merav Levy placed third in the contest. She was rewarded with a $25 gift certificate and a plaque commemorating her achievement. She began her essay by describing Canada's traditional role internationally and went on to write about the Soviet Union encouraging revolutions while Canada assists other countries by supplying them with technology, food and advanced methods of farming.

A typographical error inadvertently appeared in our June 29 issue, in the announcement of the unveiling of a monument in memory of the late

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Official dedication in September

Oakville congregation gathers in new sanctuary

By MOURA WOLPERT

OAKVILLE, Ont. — It was a proud moment for the members of Oakville's Shaarei-Beth El Synagogue as they gathered recently for their first Shabbat service in their newly completed sanctuary.

And it was Shavuoth — an "auspicious occasion" for a congregation "reborn four years ago . . . to harvest its first fruits," as Rabbi Edward Goldfarb said in his welcoming remarks.

The service was festive, with the full participation of the congregation's 12-voice choir under the direction of Liz Manson and the pupils of Goldfarb's and teacher Fonda Loft's Hebrew classes.

The official dedication of the $355,000 extension to the original Morrison Rd. Synagogue will take place on the afternoon of Sunday, Sept. 21, followed by a dinner dance in the evening and by then the few remaining finishing touches, such as the landscaping, will be completed.

A lawyer originally from London, Ont., and a Conservative background, Fink and his Toronto-born wife Carla, who had an Orthodox upbringing, compromised by moving to Mississauga and joining Shaarei-Beth El.

Inquiries have been coming in from new residents of the area and members of the original Oakville congregation who had drifted away are beginning to return, says Fink.

Consisting of just a handful of families, the congregation has grown to 70 families since the merger four years ago of the Burlington and Oakville communities.

The new sanctuary can accommodate up to 360 people and with chairs rather than fixed pews, is instantly convertible into a social hall, a big plus for a congregation that is anxious to attract the Jewish families that are bound to move into the new housing developments springing up in the region.

Has dual affiliation

Shaarei-Beth El congregation celebrates another first as it becomes the first synagogue in Canada to be affiliated with both the Reform and Conservative movements.

Originally a Reform congregation, members voted on June 1 to apply for affiliation with both the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the United Synagogues of America. Both memberships have been approved.

There are already several such congregations in the U.S. but in Canada Shaarei-Beth El is the first and Goldfarb is convinced that "others will catch on."

While the congregation will continue to use its Reform prayer books, "the ambience," notes Goldfarb, is decidedly traditional. Most men wear a tallit and while he won't turn away anyone without a kipa, peer pressure, he implies, is bound to have an effect.

The synagogue's new president, Harold Fink, who succeeds Harvey Goldfarb, sees the dual affiliation as a means of attracting new members to the congregation.

Members are widely scattered throughout Burlington, Oakville, Mississauga and even as far away as Milton. "Peoples have to come many miles" and with the Reform affiliation, even the more observant members of the congregation will feel more comfortable about having to drive to the synagogue, he remarks.

The affiliations have received all round approval: "all we have to do now is to get the mechanics in place," says Fink.

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Organizations and People

Librarians discuss problem

Holocaust denial literature dilemma to libraries

By
JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL — Libraries under Jewish auspices throughout North America are grappling with the dilemma of what to do with the flood of Holocaust denial literature on the market.

How it should be classified and who should have access to it, or if it belongs on the shelves of these libraries at all were questions dealt with at the recent annual meeting of the Association of Jewish Libraries held here.

Adaire Klein, librarian at the Simon Wiesenthal Center in Los Angeles, told the more than 100 delegates at the meeting that she was shocked to find that Montreal's Jewish Public Library lists on its Holocaust bibliography The Drama of the European Jews by Paul Rassinier, one of the first authors of Holocaust denial literature after World War II who has had a major influence on such writing since.

"I have tremendous difficulty seeing Rassinier alongside the Martin Gilberts and Lucy Dawidowiczs," she said. "Are we not legitimizing Rassinier if we do not distinguish in our Holocaust bibliographies between the fact and the fiction?"

The Simon Wiesenthal Centre library does contain Holocaust denial works in the interests of "knowing your enemy." Among the 50 books the library had when it began in 1978 was Arthur Butz's The Hoax of the 20th Century and since then has collected as much of this material as possible.

This includes subscribing to the journal of the Institute for Historical Review, one of the leading producers of sophisticated denial of the Holocaust.

Having taken the decision to collect this type of material, the centre established a set of guidelines on how to present it to the public. First of all, the centre purchases only one copy of each publication it chooses to stock in the belief that no more Jewish community dollars than necessary should be expended, said Klein.

In order that other Jewish libraries do not have to contribute to the coffers of the publishers of Holocaust denial books, the Simon Wiesenthal Centre lends its collection to other libraries. Klein said that Jewish libraries who have decided they do not want to hold this material but "happen upon" it anyway are invited to forward it to the Wiesenthal Centre.

The file card heading the centre uses is Holocaust — Errors, Inventions, Etc. "We label Holocaust denial literature for what it is. We do not put it side by side with legitimate history," said Klein.

Even if Jewish libraries do not carry Holocaust denial material, librarians have an "obligation to familiarize" themselves with who is producing this stuff and what is being said in order that they are able to intelligently assist anyone seeking such information, said Klein.

Morton Weinfeld, a professor of sociology at McGill University, said more effort should be made to convince university libraries to classify Holocaust denial books for what they are so that they are not placed together with serious historical works.

At McGill, he said, two books by Rassinier are on the regular history shelves, thus giving students the impression these works are part of mainstream scholarship.

Weinfeld said he does not contest the right of a university — as "the marketplace of ideas" — to have such works in its holdings, but believes Holocaust denial materials should be located near books like Mein Kampf and the Protocols of the Elders of Zion, which at McGill are classified as examples of anti-semitism.

Some kind of differentiation must be made between "quirky views" and legitimate historiography to alert readers, he argued.

Weinfeld said there is a consensus among historians today that the Holocaust did occur and the theories of Butz et al are inaccurate. Universities, therefore, should not be timid about making "value judgments" in the classification of Holocaust revisionism based on the prevailing scholarly opinion, as is the case in the categorization of other types of literature.

The Association of Jewish Libraries, founded in 1965, has approximately 600 members. The Association consists of two divisions: university and research libraries, with Judaica sections, and synagogue, school and community centre libraries, with the latter representing the bulk of the membership.

CJC attacks Deschenes editorial

By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO — A recent editorial in the Toronto French weekly newspaper L'Express de Toronto, criticizing the Deschenes inquiry into suspected Nazi war criminals in Canada, has been branded "malicious" and "disturbing" by Canadian Jewish Congress (Ontario Region).

CJC's community relations department will send a letter to L'Express editor Francois Bergeron protesting the "malicious tone" and content of the editorial, says Manuel Prutschi, national director of the community relations department.

Entitled "Attention: Editorial Raciste! (?)" and signed by Bergeron in the paper's June 10-16 edition, the editorial says the Deschenes inquiry was begun as a result of pressure from "several members of the Jewish community and certain left wing groups."

It goes on to state it was "a sage decision" for the inquiry not to travel to the Soviet Union to collect evidence, which was "the best news" to emerge from the "tiresome" inquiry to date.

Despite the decision not to go to the Soviet Union, "several individuals and organizations, (backed) by the kremlin, won't let (this) opportunity pass without exercising their illegitimate vengeance against their enemies," the editorial states. "Their potential victims, for the past few months, are living in uncertainty and anxiety...the fault of our government.

"We await the barrage of negative propaganda in the event the Deschenes report is not able to identify a large number of Nazi war criminals in Canada, according the benefit of the doubt to the people whose names were submitted to the commission but against whom there was no certain proof, or (if it) comes out against similar witch-hunts of the past."

Bergeron says the decision not to travel to the Soviet Union to collect evidence was made because the Soviets did not agree to the terms set out by the commission.

In fact, the Soviets did eventually agree to all terms, but commission lawyers said the Soviets came through too late to allow a thorough investigation.

The piece notes that Communism has "taken the torch from fascism" and atrocities committed in the name of Communism have surpassed those of the Third Reich.

But what is most "perturbing" about the whole issue, Bergeron writes, is the "intensity" with which one is branded a racist if one disagrees with using such a commission to "harass the revisionists, to express unfavorable opinions about Israel or if one refuses to participate in hysterical campaigns, such as that surrounding the election of Kurt Waldheim."

Prutschi told The CJN he was "quite disturbed" by the editorial. "It implies the Jewish community does not tolerate legitimate differences of opinion. (Bergeron) says the editorial is racist to protect himself from the label of racist."

Bergeron told The CJN he called the editorial racist in a sarcastic vein. "It was provocative," he said. "Anyone who dares to criticize is branded a racist."

Asked to identify some of "the left wing groups" he said pressured the government to set up the Deschenes inquiry, Bergeron said, "Well, look in the phone book. There are plenty there."

Two Winnipeg projects dedicated at Ben Gurion

BEERSHEBA — Two Winnipeg projects — a social work library and a unique collection of sculptures — were dedicated here recently at Ben-Gurion University of the Negev during the 16th annual meeting of the university's international board of governors.

Harold Livergant, president of the university's Canadian Associates, presided over the ceremony, addressed by Canada's ambassador to Israel James Bartleman.

The Ed and Marion Vickar Social Work Library, endowed by the friends and admirers of the well-known Winnipeg community leaders, will provide important support for the university's young department of social work, Livergant said.

He praised the Vickars for "their concern for their fellowman and their dedicated labors for the Jewish people and Israel." He noted that the establishment of the library combines the themes of "the People of the Book and the concern of that people for social justice."

Herman Mahlerman, for many years a respected Hebrew teacher in Western Canada, has donated a collection of rare miniature sculptures and figurines to BGU, adding to the university's growing collection of Canadian art.

To mark the occasion, a special exhibit of recent Canadian acquisitions was opened in the Baron Art Gallery, itself a Canadian donation.

To Mahlerman, stated Livergant, endowing youth with a love of the arts is "both the highest form of education and the best means of socializing the human being."

Ambassador Bartleman, in his first official visit to the university, said: "At this early stage of my posting in Israel, I am particularly pleased to participate in this impressive ceremony, demonstrating and strengthening Canada-Israel friendship, which in the end is, after all, based and deepened on the kind of intimate, individual person-to-person relationship represented here today."

Vickar and Mahlerman responded to the tributes paid to them, and speaking on behalf of BGU were Prof. Chaim Elata, university president; Prof. Dan Meyerstein, director of the university library; and Prof. Haim Finkelstein, director of the Baron Art Gallery.

Jewish, Slav societies hold joint meeting

WINNIPEG — Members of the Canadian Jewish Historical Society held a joint meeting with the Canadian Association of Slavists at the recent Learned Societies Conference at the University of Manitoba.

At the meeting, Prof. Norman Penner of York University and Prof. Nelson Wiseman of the University of Toronto, addressed the topic Political Interaction between Slavs and Jews.

In another session, held jointly with the Canadian Historical Association, Cyril Leonoff, archivist of he Jewish Historical Society of British Columbia, spoke on The Centennial of Jewish Life in Vancouver, 1886-1986.

Other sessions included Prof. Gerald Tulchinsky of Queen's University speaking on Not on Equal Terms — Protestant Intransigence in the Montreal Jewish Schools Issue; Adam Furstenberg of Ryerson Polytechnical Institute, Toronto,on A. M. Klein; and Prof. Lionel Steiman of the University of Manitoba on Anti-Semitism from the Crusade to the Holocaust — A Personal Retrospect.

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Israeli says original mandate achieved

Coalition faces new national challenges—prof

By
MARK DODICK

TORONTO —
The Israeli government of national unity has fulfilled its mandate and if it stays in office must deal with issues outside the two major concerns that caused its formation, a visiting Israeli professor of political science told a recent meeting of the Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region executive.

In a wide ranging update on Israeli domestic matters, Prof. Emanuel Gutmann said that the national unity government has succeeded in returning Israel's troops from Lebanon and bringing inflation under control.

This means, he said, that the government will now have to deal with programs outside these original reasons for the accord.

While most Israelis expect the government to fall a year after Yitzhak Shamir becomes Prime Minister (possibly over issues of budgetary allocations to the West Bank), Gutmann said he expects the Shamir government to have its full day.

Referring to the Pollard and Shin Bet "skandalim," Gutmann noted that Israel can little afford to "wash its security linen in public."

However, he said, it is not only the reputation of the Shin Bet which has suffered, but also, since Lebanon, the reputation of the army. There have to be some internal changes to repair these problems, he concluded.

The conflict between ultra-religious and ultra-secular elements in Israel suggests two options for the future, the professor said.

It is possible that the ultra-Orthodox groups will bring the issue to a "show down," and the process of consensus by which Israel is governed will break down.

Or the moderate and Zionist elements of Orthodoxy will prevail, he said, and while there will never be a solution to the problem "wisdom will prevail."

We will know the outcome by Rosh Hashanah, Gutmann predicted.

Following Gutmann's update, awards were presented to the winners of the Passover Poster Contest.

The Soviet Jewry committee collected more than 2,000 entries from Hebrew schools throughout Toronto. Winners received book prizes and their posters were framed.

The winners are: Grade 1, Jessica Ennis; Grade 2, Evan Houldin; Grade 3, Ari Woolf; Grade 4, Sruli Rand; Grade 5, Naomi Zeisler; Grade 6, Allison Lidsky.

In a report on the recent Social Credit convention here, Manuel Prutschi, national director of community relations, said he felt encouraged by the election of Rev. Harvey Lainson as party president, and the rejection of the "theologians of hate."

Lainson, Prutschi noted, threatened to resign as national organizer of the party if Jim Keegstra (convicted of promoting hatred against Jews) was elected leader. Keegstra was a candidate for the presidency.

MPP Elinor Caplan briefly addressed the meeting, focusing on the many activities the provincial government has undertaken reflecting solidarity and sensitivity to the Jewish community.

She said these actions have included: recognition of Network's Freedom Caravan For Soviet Jewry, presentation of the Ida Nudel Award, and a declaration of support for Israel on Yom Ha'atzmaut.

Caplan said she felt great pride in representing the community in the government.

In other business, the executive approved the list of proposed comittee chairmen for 1986-1989, and deferred discussion of CJC's organizational structure until the next meeting in September.

Judith Bloom (centre), coordinator of the Passover Poster Contest stands with the winning kids and their posters. Back row: Naomi Zeisler (left) and Allison Lidsky. Centre: Jessica Ennis and Judith Bloom. Front row: Ari Woolf (left), Sruli Rand, and Evan Houldin. [Graphic Artists photo]

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Coalition wants play moved to senior grades

Shylock brings problems in Kitchener schools

By
RON CSILLAG

KITCHENER — A coalition of some 100 parents, Jews and non-Jews, have banded together to again appeal to educators in Kitchener to move the teaching of Shakespeare's The Merchant of Venice to upper high school grades.

The parents argue the play promotes negative racial stereotyping and exposes Jewish students to ridicule and contempt largely because of the work's main character, Shylock.

Shakespeare's controversial play is currently taught in virtually every Kitchener area high school in grades 9 and 10. The parents want it moved to grades 12 and 13.

At an emotional meeting with trustees of the Waterloo County Board of Education recently, nine Jewish high school students, now in senior grades, told of how they were taunted and humiliated by classmates while the play was taught.

One girl, according to a parent who was there, told of how she was asked by the teacher to play the part of Shylock, the greedy and shady Jewish moneylender. When she went to her desk one day, she said she found it covered with swastikas.

Another girl said classmates called her names and threw pennies at her after the play was taught.

Other students said they were subjected to slurs and anti-semitic taunts but added they were too young and immature to deal with the problem adequately.

After 2½ hours, the trustees voted to defer the matter to a meeting scheduled for July 10.

The parents have been after the board for over a year to move the teaching of the play to senior grades, where they say the students would be better equipped to understand the racial aspect of the play.

"We went to the board a year ago and asked them to transfer the play to the upper grades. One of the trustees said there's anti-semitism anyway and that children should get used to it," Monna Zentner, one of the Jewish parents, told The CJN.

The board voted a year ago not to move the teaching of the play to senior grades, but it did instruct its English staff to prepare a set of guidelines on how to present the play and other works dealing with prejudice and racial stereotyping.

"That was a year ago and we still only have an unfinished document. I feel sad because I wanted the local children to see the local representatives make a policy against intolerance not because they have to but because they want to."

During the course of the year, Zentner said, some teachers accused the Jewish parents of being "bookbanners. They said if we transfered the play, the Jewish kids would get beaten up."

Bernie Farber of Canadian Jewish Congress's community relations department told the trustees, "Ladies and gentlemen, the situation here in Kitchener is serious."

Farber said the taunts, slurs and penny-throwing are examples of "overt racism" and resulted from the mishandling of the play.

He said Mark Twain's classic The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn, a satirical look at racism, has been moved from grade 9 to grade 12 in almost all Ontario schools.

Farber cited a survey showing that several school boards, notably in Ottawa, Hamilton and Halton, have either moved the play to senior grades or teach it to enriched grade 9 students. One school in Hamilton dropped the play from the curriculum entirely.

Another educational study Farber cited indicates the character of Shylock leads "by implication, to a negative ethnic stereotyping of Jews. There is a danger that a student would come away from the play thinking that all Jews were like this, particularly if he had no contact with Jewish people."

The study says Shylock is always referred to in the play as "the Jew;" he is villainous and demands his "pound of flesh." His greed and money mania are never explained, he is said to have mistreated his daughter and at the end, he is forced to convert to Christianity, which is seen as a "happy solution."

Dictor Graham, executive director of the board of education, told The CJN a draft of the guidelines will be completed by September but that first, "they will have to be field tested.

"Something will have to be decided" at the July 10 meeting regarding the teaching of The Merchant of Venice, and a decision will take the parents' and students' considerations into account, Graham added.

Wayne McNanney, an English consultant to the board, told The CJN that whatever is decided July 10, from now on, a "resource document" recommending approaches to the teaching of the play will be provided to all English teachers within the board.

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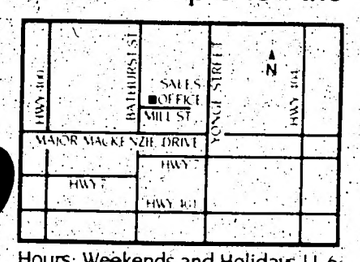

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Jerusalem Pavilion entertainment wows

TORONTO —

Capacity crowds loved the "sights and sounds of Israel" as the Jerusalem Pavilion celebrated its 10th anniversary in Metro International Caravan 86 with highly entertaining stage shows at the south JCC.

Describing the program, which included an international songstress, a fiddler on the roof, a fire-eating bellydancer, and demonstrations of Jewish customs, pavilion mayor Jack Herson said: "We give you a show that encompasses everything — culture, religion and music."

Hosts Al Resnick and Miriam Alberstat and pavilion princess Shelly Silvergold helped visitors enjoy a warm sampling of Jewish and Israeli entertainment in shows that ran four times nightly.

Russian-born Aelita was the mainstage star with her song stylings in the Spirit of Israel revue accompanied by Bernie Senensky's Band. Along with the Folkfest Dancers, she had audiences clapping along with Jewish and Israeli hits.

Another crowd-pleaser was a Fiddler on the Roof segment featuring Aelita and Mark Harrington, who did a fine fiddler — even though he lacked a fiddle.

Aelita also had the central role in presenting a "picture window" of Jewish customs including the lighting of Shabbat candles and a wedding sequence.

The fire-eating bellydancer Andrea Naugler, or Majik as she's known, provided extra spark with her seductive gyrations.

Group plans all-Israeli shul

By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

Jewish Youth Renaissance, a youth group dedicated to preserving Jewish identity and heritage through dialogue, has taken on a new pet project: establishing a congregation just for Israelis in Metro's northwest area.

Under the direction of JYR's founder and director Rabbi David Cohen, the project hopes to set up a permanent synagogue, communal hall and eventually a school just for the approximately 1,000 Israeli families in the region from Lawrence to Steeles and from Bathurst to Dufferin.

At a meeting last week with Cohen, some Israelis agreed to set up a temporary synagogue in the Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living, at Bathurst and Steeles.

The need for an all-Israeli congregation is great in Toronto, Cohen told The CJN, because very often, Israeli immigrants do not feel comfortable in existing synagogues.

"There is widespread frustration among Israelis," Cohen, a teacher at CHAT, explained. "They feel the Canadian Jewish community doesn't value them. Sometimes, there's ill feelings between Canadian Jews and Israeli youth."

Jews who emigrate from Israel often feel the stigma of leaving a country that cries out for Jewish immigration, Cohen added.

Already, the congregation at the Bernard Betel Centre has a rabbi who will double as Torah reader, he said.

Cohen estimates there are up to 15,000 Israelis in Toronto. The congregation would make no distinction between Ashkenazi and Sephardic Jews.

Many Israelis have strayed from Judaism, despite having lived in Israel, Cohen contends.

"Israeli Jews have special needs. Many Israeli kids don't even have bar mitzvahs and there's a huge problem of intermarriage. So speaking Hebrew isn't enough to safeguard their Jewishness."

By establishing an all-Israeli synagogue, problems such as intermarriage, assimilation and religious indifference may be stemmed, he feels, and could help bring disenchanted Israelis back into the religious fold.

Jewish Youth Renaissance, which claims over 100 members in Toronto, will "adopt" the Israelis and attempt to groom leaders within Israeli youth, Cohen said.

"The real danger is the second generation."

Similar projects in New York City have been successful, said Cohen, who set up the JYR chapter in Toronto a year ago. The members, aged 16 and up and mainly from Metro's Jewish schools, will assist in implementing leadership and singles programs, shabbatons, religious services and Israeli theme evenings at the congregation.

"It's an area that hasn't really been tackled yet," Cohen said.

Reform rabbi in Montreal outlines disappointments

By
JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

Less than two years after his arrival, Rabbi Kenneth Segel of Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom has decided he cannot achieve one of his main goals: Convincing the Montreal Jewish community that Reform Judaism is an acceptable expression of the religion.

Since announcing that he will leave the temple upon the completion of his contract June 30, 1987, Segel has made no secret of the fact that he is disappointed by both the resistance of the community and of the temple's own board to change. Segel, a native of Buffalo, NY, came to the Temple in July, 1984, after serving as spiritual leader of a smaller congregation in suburban New Orleans for nine years.

Segel is not satisfied with the fact that since becoming rabbi the membership of the 104-year-old temple has grown from 900 families to 1,050, making it among the three largest Jewish congregations in Montreal. Nor does the increased participation in Friday night services and adult education programs offset his sense of failure.

Segel said he also could have contended with the vitriolic attacks on Reform Judaism from some Orthodox rabbis in Montreal because privately he enjoyed a "very frank, but civil" dialogue with many traditional rabbis.

What he cannot live with is the perception by most Montreal Jews that Reform Judaism is a "watered down, bastardized" version of the faith, even a "half-way house to Christianity."

Segel, 44, acknowledges that he could not make any headway in a community so wedded to tradition, and had difficulty adjusting to the "Canadian way," a more low key, conservative approach as compared to American brashness. Segel allows he may at times be too frank for his own good.

Lack of new people

The lack of new people coming into Montreal from places where Reform is "understood and respected," such as Toronto and the United States, didn't help either. Nor has the outmigration of young people.

Segel's decision to leave Montreal under these circumstances is all the more surprising because he declared in 1984 that he was "here to stay" and fairly exuded enthusiasm for the challenge ahead of him.

His salary — in six figures — is generous by his own admission. He said he is looking at a couple of job offers; if he accepts one of them, he will leave the temple as early as this fall.

Segel believes the Montreal Jewish community as a whole is suffering from the absence of an influx of new members. "Without new people, the community is not benefitting from new perspectives and ideas. What we are seeing is an intensification of inbreeding, a perpetuation of certain inner families."

The aging of the Jewish community is reflected in a tendency to "live in past glories and be less ready to adjust to change or move as quickly."

Segel found that the claim of Orthodoxy was more often "a slavish devotion to ritual" and a desire to remain with a certain synagogue simply because their forefathers did, than a deep-seated philosophy.

"I'm not knocking anyone for that, it is far preferable to being apathetic about Judaism, but this situation has been frustrating for me."

Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom is not the only Reform congregation in Montreal. Congregation Rodeph Shalom in Dollard des Ormeaux is officially Reform but it has become more traditional under Rabbi Michael Stevens, indicated in the name change from "temple" to "congregation."

Stevens, who has announced he will be leaving Rodeph Shalom after five years, is a Conservative rabbi. The congregation has only about 100 members.

Segel believes there is little chance Reform Judaism will flourish in Montreal in the future, or even maintain its current strength. One reason, according to Segel, is the popularity of Jewish day school education.

The temple's afternoon school, like other that at most other Montreal synagogues, has declined. More temple members are enrolling their children in the day schools and there are no such schools in Montreal with a Reform orientation.

"The result is that when these children become bar or bat mitzvah they feel like strangers in their own home. They have taken on the community's perception of Reform as a devalued type of Judaism."

On the positive side, Segel can list a number of things that have greatly impressed him about the Montreal Jewish community. These include the calibre of its organizations' professionals and of the rabbinate, its commitment to Israel and Zionism, the depth and variety of its philanthropy, and its "reverence" for Holocaust remembrance. He has also found the Board of Jewish Ministers of Greater Montreal a unique vehicle, in his experience, for promoting dialogue between rabbis of all stripes.

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Oldtimers lap up Clancyisms at Lizzies' reunion

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —
Getting 200 Jews to agree on anything is a difficult venture, but one thing everyone at the Lizzies Oldtimers Reunion dinner agreed upon was that Bob Abate was a winner.

Everybody who played for the Canadian Sports Hall of Famer won either on the field, or, as one of the alumni Lizzies at the dinner put it: "Many a kid can thank his lucky stars for him. He made 'em people."

Who was this man and why are they saying these nice things about him?

Bob Abate was the founder back in 1907 of the Elizabeth Playground, later simply called The Lizzies, at that time situated at the present site of the Hospital for Sick Children.

Abate, who died in 1981 at age 88, took the children from the poor, immigrant parts of town, and gave them something to do, says Sol Tenenbaum, whose association with the Lizzies goes back to the late 20s. They played softball, hardball and basketball under Abate's guidance, winning more than their fair share of championships.

In 1929, for example, the Lizzies won the Ontario Junior Hardball Championships while in 1941 or 1942 (no one could recall for sure), the Lizzies' basketball team won the junior championship.

Abate was inducted into the Canadian Sports Hall of Fame as a multi-sport builder in 1976 for his lifelong association with sports in Toronto.

Many of Abate's one-time champs were at the Adath Sholom Synagogue for their 3rd annual reunion and dinner (they served fish, chicken **and** brisket), but it was meeing with old friends, and even opponents, that really warmed the atmosphere.

There was no shortage of back-slapping and hand-shaking among the one-time teammates, with plenty of tall tales told. Everyone sported a broad smile (and, it appeared, a big paunch) as the middle-aged ex-athletes exchanged memories and perused team pictures from the good old days.

Many of the great athletes who played for the Lizzies and later rose to national and international prominence were there too: Goody Rosen, who played major league baseball with the Brooklyn Dodgers and Alex Levinsky, an NHLer with the Blackhawks and a Stanley Cup-winner with the Toronto Maple Leafs (from an era when the Leafs won championships). Champion boxer Willie Wagman, 86, was there as was 86-year-old Chick Wilkes.

Other Jewish athletic greats (who didn't play for the Lizzies) were also present: boxer Sammy Luftspring, Toronto Argo Joe "King" Krol, softball great Harry Eckler and more.

Another great name from the past was present as guest speaker, and he enthralled the Lizzies Old Timers with stories of his hockey past.

King Clancy, known to youngsters as the sidekick of Leaf owner Harold Ballard, recalled the days when he and Levinsky were teammates on the Leafs.

"Everybody called him a good guy," Clancy said. "They didn't know him like I knew him. He'd cut your gizzard out."

Clancy, never at a loss for words, admitted he wasn't a good hockey pugilist. "I got into fights," he said, "but I never got hurt. That's why I got into them."

He never won a fight, he said, but there was a guy on the team, Charlie Conacher, who "came in when you were in trouble. He took hold of a guy, give him a shot (threw me on top) and said, 'there King, you won one.'

"I never got into trouble," Clancy smirked, "but I got Conacher into plenty."

There were great hockey players in the league back in the 30s, Clancy recalled. Big ones. "And they left me alone. They thought I wouldn't do anything...and I didn't."

But sometimes "when I was playing, they tried to hurt me. I didn't think that was so nice. Every now and then I used the stick and give 'em a little shot in the jewel box. And I tell you, you give 'em a shot in the jewel box, they don't bother you no more."

Turning to the resignation of Dan Maloney as Leaf coach, Clancy said he saw Maloney shortly before a "showdown" with Leaf manager Gerry McNamara — a showdown Maloney lost.

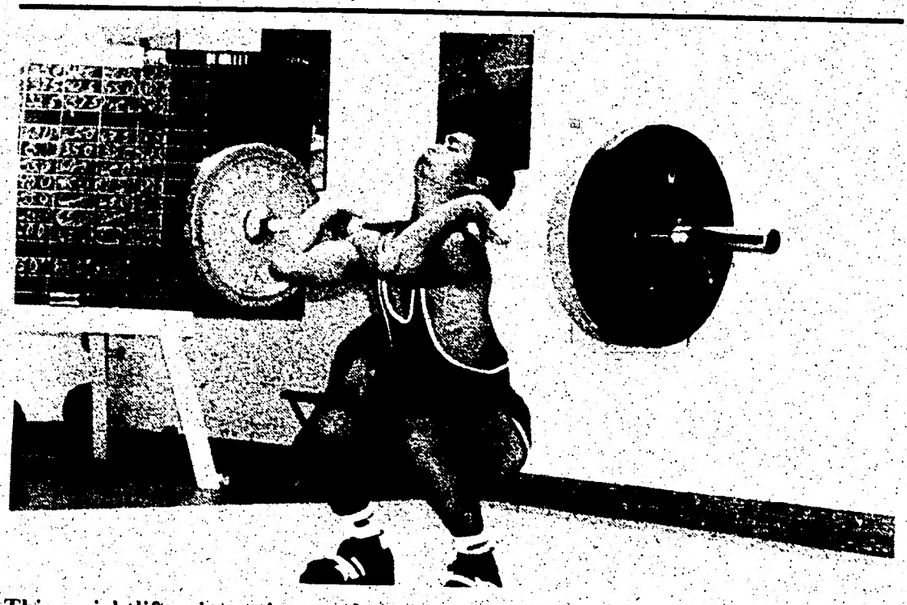
"I hate to see a fellow like Maloney leaving the Maple Leafs he said. Sympathizing with Maloney, Clancy said "as coach of the Leafs, you're never right. It's the worst job anybody could possible ask for — you're never right."

Clancy, 83 ("I'd be older but I was sick a couple of years," he quipped), received a standing ovation for his colorful hockey commentaries, and dinner emcee, Howard Garfield, then continued with his low-key, humorous after-dinner banter.

Dinner co-chairmen were Carl Goodman, Norm Cornack and Harvey Bronstine. Rabbi David Monson delivered the invocation.

Upcoming on the Lizzies' schedule of events are the Bob Abate Baseball Tournament in August the Bob Abate Golf Tournament at the Glen Eagle Golf Club in Bolton later this month.

It was all smiles at the Lizzies' reunion recently. Among those attending the get-together were, (from left) Harry Eckler, Saul (Pancho) Bergstein, Joe "King" Krol, Sammy Luftspring and Louis Malinsky. [Paul Lungen photo]



This weightlifter is getting ready to exert all his energy in the clean and jerk at the Western Ontario Open Weightlifting Championships, hosted by the JCC recently.

JCC musclemen grab wins at weightlifting tourney

TORONTO —
The phys ed staff at the Jewish Community Centre, northern branch, was recenlty given plenty of reason to smile.

They not only successfully hosted the Western Ontario Open Weightlifting Championships, but they were given the double satisfaction of seeing a JCC lifter win the 90 kg competition.

Cliff Gardner hoisted the heaviest lift of the day, with a clean and jerk of 162.5 kg (about 360 lbs.) and a snatch of 122.5 kg.

Other JCC competitors brought the Centre some glory, with Rob Benchetrit winning a 2-man competition in the 75 kg class with a snatch of 75 kg and a clean and jerk of 97.5 kg.

JCC member Bob C. Kim place 3rd in the 60 kg category with a snatch of 60 kg and clean and jerk of 85 kg. Roman Ginzburg finished 6th in that weight class.

Other JCC participants included Laurie Renwick, who snatched 82.5 kg in the 90 kg category, and the competition's lone female participant, Jacqueline Simonsen of the JCC. Simonsen, who lifts in the 55 kg class, snatched 32.5 kg and 47.5 kg in the clean and jerk.

Altogether, 33 weightlifters from places as far afield as Kirkland Lake, Sudbury, North Bay, Ottawa, Woodstock and the JCC took part in the championships, said Robert Balmer, weight room supervisor at the north JCC.

The tournament was sanctioned by the Ontario Weightlifting Association and a crowd of about 40 people was on hand to cheer on the lifters throughout the 6½-hour event.

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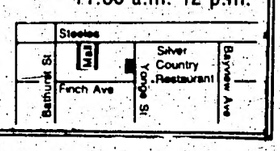

Women defining own sense of style

Braemar hits target in fashion for business women

For the fashion-conscious career woman, a black and white floral day into evening dress in 100% rayon. Available exclusively at Braemar.

Eight years ago, Braemar, as part of Fashion Council, competed directly with its sister division Fairweather, to meet the clothing needs of young, fashionable women.

As the number of career oriented women increased, Braemar recognized the need for affordable business wear and became a separate division geared specifically to that market.

"Eight years ago women came to us looking for 4-piece suits," says Joel Cooper, Braemar's general manager. "I know it's difficult to believe now as women have proven they don't need to dress like men to get ahead. They're still buying suits, but suits that lend themselves to the female shape."

Indeed, women are defining their own sense of style. However, due to time limitations of balancing work and family, they look to stores that offer service and the proper mix of work and casual clothing.

"We've made it easy for women, by selecting dresses, coats and separates with specific color combinations in mind. We augment what is offered by brand names such as Jones New York, I. B. Diffusion, Geraldine Peterson, Coincidence, Louben, etc., with merchandise we have produced to our specifications under our private label program. And, we've managed to do this keeping to our color palette," says Elaine Simms, sportswear manager.

Quality fabrics combine with contemporary styling

Names such as Aldichi, Diana Charles, Jeremy Scott and Roberto di Nero and Michelle Monet are exclusive to Braemar stores.

Braemar started its private label program with designs by Roberto di Nero and Jeremy Scott. Its initial purpose was to pass on better value to Braemar customers by providing quality fabrics in combination with contemporary styling.

The concept evolved into weekly point-of-sale items featuring basic wardrobe needs under these labels (a promotional policy that still continues).

Jeremy Scott continues to offer affordable basics in pants, skirts, sweaters, coats, dresses, suits and jackets and Roberto di Nero has become representative of styling in knits (cotton, lambswool, angora, acrylic, etc.), for separates and dresses.

These labels have become identifiable to customers as exclusive to Braemar. Diana Charles is known by customers for offering updated classics in coordinates, dresses and coats. Better fabrics are used (often fabrics imported from Europe) and the value of these garments is easily seen by the customer.

The label Aldichi represents casual looks and fabrics. T-shirt dresses and coordinates in cotton and poly-cotton interlock knits and other casual look fabrications are offered in color-coordinates programs.

Aldichi's multi-striped shorts, pants, skirts and cardigans were featured at Braemar's booth at the Festival of Canadian Fashion.

Michelle Monet, a new label for Braemar, is to be introduced this fall. The accent is on new and trendy styles in separates, dresses and coats in better and imported fabrics.

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"Not as many stones"

Jewelry takes on tailored look

By
LORI SMITH

In the last few years accessories have taken on a renewed, paramount importance in fashion.

They add the perfect finishing touch to the most up-to-date styles and they update fashion from seasons gone by.

To find out what is "in" this summer we asked David Goodman, owner of David Goodman Agency, the Toronto firm that represents such renowned accessory lines as Echo Scarves, Ralph Lauren scarves, belts and socks, Whiting and Davis mesh accessories, Valdez Design eel-sin accessories, and several jewelry lines including Tokens of Gilt, Haz, Paul Ashurst, Cooper Collection and Adina Gwatkin all of Toronto, for his advice.

Dunhill Regatta striped silk blazer in gray with Cambridge blue and sporting gold stripes worn with Dunhill 100% luxury cotton pleat-fronted slacks in flannel white.

According to Goodman, jewelry is still the strongest accessory and the big, chunky designs of the last few seasons are getting a little more tailored, a little more refined.

"There are not as many stones, but pearls are still there, and color is always important. This summer we'll see a lot of brights and pastels in the basic colors."

He says that the styles of jewelry are in response to the more refined, obviously feminine clothes being shown and to the re-emergence of the 60s influence.

In the race between silver and gold, Goodman says that silver is tied with or a little ahead of gold. And metallic jewelry of any kind, but particularly earrings, bracelets and bangles, are very important.

"There's a lot of big, link silver chains and bracelets around and they will be popular right in to fall along with Chanel-look chain jewelry and chain bags."

Big hoop earrings in all sorts of colors, combinations and fabrications are important this season because of shorter haircuts that call for more dramatic looks around the ear and because of bolder, uncluttered necklines.

Bangle bracelets are also very important. Goodman says they should be worn in multiples: multiple colors, multiple materials and multiple metals. And there is also all kinds of chain being worn together.

Pins are being shown right at the neck or on the lapel. And some of the seasons most important design motifs include anything western particularly bolos, art deco influenced creations, Out of Africa inspired wood, reptile and patterned items, novelty looks such as Carmen Miranda-style parrot earrings and designs inspired by the art and hieroglyphics of Ancient Egypt.

Pearl necklaces are still very strong and, like so many other items, are being worn in multiples this summer.

However, one of the season's most important accessories is a scarf. As a fashion accessory this is the season that they have really taken off.

Goodman says to look for scarves that feature brightly colored dots, finger paint stripes, zig zags, animals, graffitti and psychedelic prints, scribble plaids and aux provence patterned styles. In addition, imitation or authentic Herman scarves are the rage.

What to do with them? They are being used to tie up the hair, worn as a bandeau top or sarong, shown loose and flowing over the larger-top-narrower-bottom silhouettes and as a head wrap a la Audrey Hepburn or Grace Kelly.

And this season belts have moved back up to the waist. Narrower belts are being worn with the narrower silhouettes that are so popular.

Also, he says that socks are very popular with cuffed, ankle styles leading the way.

Finally, this season features two very important accessories: watches and sunglasses. Goodman says that watches, which are being worn like jewelry now, are slimmer and more classic looking.

The plastic watch is on its way out and leather and metal imitations of prestige watches are in.

Sunglasses are the trendiest summer accessory around. Nearly every major designer has a collection out.

In terms of style they range from Rayban Wayfarer-look square, to wraparounds to aviator to anything you can think of.

In terms of color and pattern the sky is the limit. Many are basic black but jungle prints, rhinestones, paint splash patterns, irridescent looks and combinations of metals, patterns and colors are all "in" and available.

To sum it up, Goodman says that the tacky, somewhat gaudy, Madonna-thrift store-look is giving way to a more refined, tailored, classic type of accessory.

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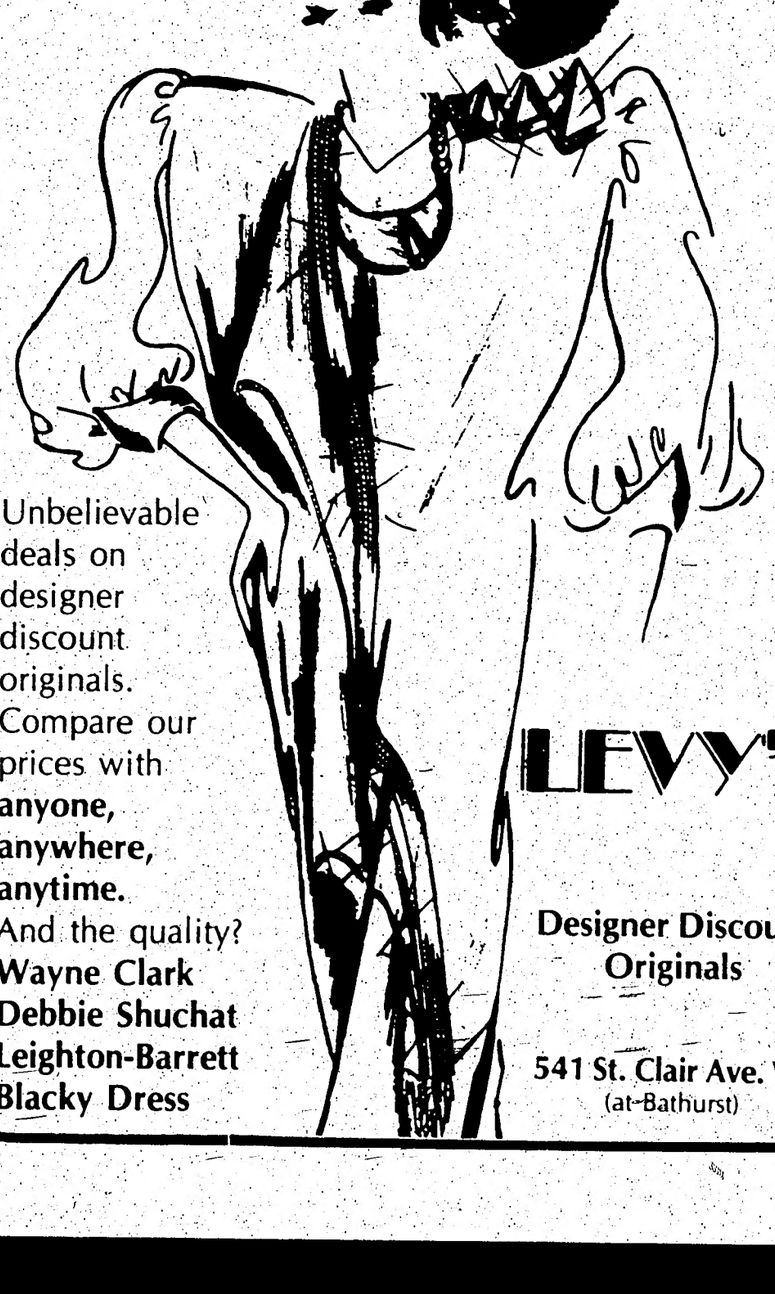

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Versatility key in jewelry look

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

Versatility is the key word in Montreal jeweler Lou Goldberg's collection of gold, gems and pearls.

"Women are looking for jewelry that can be worn in the boardroom and the ballroom. Mr. Goldberg designs many of his pieces to look at home in either place," says Wendy Portman, Goldberg's associate in Toronto.

Portman shows a necklace of twisted freshwater pearls with a blister pearl clasp surrounded by diamonds. "This piece is subtle enough for daytime wear yet looks elegant when worn with an evening dress."

In contrast, she points to a seed pearl choker consisting of 10 strands of cultured pearls with a clasp of yellow gold and 78 full cut pave diamonds. "It looks exquisite with a cocktail dress yet it may appear a bit too dressy for a daytime function," says Portman.

Pieces done in onyx and diamonds are an important jewelery trend this year, says Portman, "because the diamonds brighten up the piece for evening wear and the onyx keeps it subtle for day wear. An 18 karat yellow and white gold choker decorated with a cricle of onyx and a pave section of diamonds is "exquisite for an evening wedding or an afternoon bar mitzvah."

For those women interested in starting a collection of matching jewelery, Goldberg has designed thin wrist bangles and rings encrusted in either rubies, emeralds or sapphires.

"They look elegant worn alone or with 2 or 3 together. It could make a wonderful birthday or anniversary present for up to six years in a row," says Portman.

Another important trend this year is setting old coins into a pendant or pair of earrings.

Lou Goldberg Jeweler's head office is in Montreal, and Goldberg and his three sons take the collection across Canada twice a year. For further information call Wendy Portman at (416) 233-0886.

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Fashion

Purses don't have to be trendy

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

Leather bag from Corinne Farber.

Corinne Farber does not believe in designing and sewing purses that are trendy. What she does believe in are functional, spacious bags that last a lifetime.

Farber, whose studio is in Kingston, explains that there is a lot more to making purses than creating new designs. "The marriage of materials and shape take an awful lot of attention. Some material just isn't practical for some shapes," says Farber.

She notes that a while ago she came across a piece of linen designed with waterbirds in shades of green, gold and brown that she could not resist. "It took quite a long time, however, to design a purse that would show off the material and be functional." What she came up with was a large, roomy bag with a leather top and bottom and leather ties.

Farber originally designed her market bags made of heavyweight cotton in designs including bluebirds and flowers to do her own shopping at Kingston Market.

"People began asking me where I got the bag and it really took off," Farber says. The bag, which has leather straps, is large enough for a moderate shopping spree and it slouches when not filled so it can be worn every day. "I'm very conscious of people getting value for their money so I want my bags to be versatile," she says.

Smaller heavyweight printed cotton bags in colors ranging from royal blue to gold to beige and trimmed in brown leather pick up the color of any piece of clothing.

"I'm always sketching in my mind and always thinking of new, practical designs," Farber says. She adds that "something about being away from the hub of fashion encourages me to be more original. I don't see what the others are doing so I have no-one to imitate."

Most of her all-leather bags are made with Canadian leather, but she does introduce some unusual leathers such as Italian polka dot leather that consists of black dots on a black bag.

"It makes a plain, functional leather bag a lot of fun," she says. Other large leather bags are in pastel colors such as pink, green and white.

"The trouble with my purses is that they are indestructible. Some people get tired of them before the bag even looks used," chuckles Farber.

Farber sells her purses at major craft shows—including the Christmas Craft Show at the CNE grounds. Some of her purses will be in Eatons and Brian Winston's in the fall.

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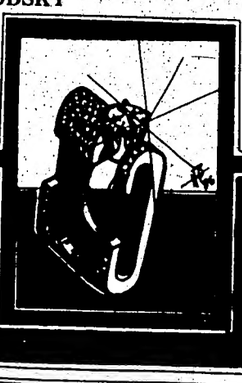

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Understanding hidden emotional problems

Therapist believes art can help treat troubled children

By
CYNTHIA GASNER
TORONTO —

Spontaneous art — paintings, drawings and clay moldings — can lead to an understanding of hidden emotional problems says Morton Manilla, an art therapist at the Toronto Art Therapy Institute, a non-profit organization.

"Many children have great difficulty learning because their energies are absorbed in emotional struggles. Most teachers are neither trained nor otherwise able to recognize in these children anything other than behavioral problems."

Morton Manilla of the Toronto Art Therapy Institute with therapy trainees.

Troubled children are further punished by the school system as if fate had conspired against them — and they are treated as adversaries by teachers says Manilla, who has a doctorate in history from the University of Toronto and a diploma in art therapy from the Toronto Art Therapy Institute.

"By creating a safe, supportive, non-judgmental environment," he says, "students can express themselves using very simple art media. The emphasis is not on acquiring a skill, but on communicating how one sees oneself in the context of family, school and community."

Manilla spoke of psychiatrist Martin Fischer, a pioneer in the field of group therapy and residential treatment for emotionally disturbed children and adolescents, who developed the spontaneous art programs within the school system.

He says that Fischer was challenged by the fact that there are an estimated 15% of the students who labor under emotional stress.

"The art productions of children and adults reveal surprising and helpful findings that are difficult to obtain with other forms of therapy," says Gilda Grossman.

Grossman, a social worker who has been with the Art Therapy Institute for more than 12 years, gave an example of a school bully who was terrorizing his classmates and his teachers for years.

He was brought into the art program and as he worked on his productions, he would often describe his feelings of anger towards his mother who could not nurture him. Within a few months, says Grossman, his impulse-ridden behavior decreased and he began participating in sports activities — something that had been impossible before.

Grossman adds that through an understanding of his problem, his teachers were more understanding and were able to appreciate that his acting-out behavior was not a malicious response to them, but rather the expression of a child who felt starved of love as a result of his home environment.

"We have no idea of what's bothering them until we see their paintings," she adds. "Usually a child starts painting about a problem, then starts talking about it."

Jewish families are increasingly afflicted by divorce, the stress of assimilation and other conflicts which influence the emotional and intellectual life of parents and children, says Manilla.

"Through the practice of art therapy, we offer an opportunity to people of all ages to open the prison door of psychological defences, negative self-image, deep feelings of injury and resentment."

He says that people can discover or rediscover talents and potential that they had long repressed.

Since the institute was founded in 1968 by Fischer, its therapists have conducted art programs for most of Metro Toronto's boards of education. Also, programs are conducted at She'arim Day School and at the Reena Foundation.

Manilla, who serves as chairman of the art institute's committee which trains art therapists, also carries on a private practice.

Some of the types of children referred to the spontaneous art sessions include, students from stressful home backgrounds — single or 1-parent homes, acting-out behaviors evidenced by vandalism, theft or verbal aggressiveness, slow learners, students showing signs of severe withdrawal or depression, or adjustment problems.

For more information on the training program or art therapy, call the Toronto Art Therapy Institute at (416) 921-4374, or Morton Manilla at (416) 781-4285.

Complexities in Jewish society, learning studied

By
DAVID BIRKAN

A number of thoroughly researched studies describe some complexities in Jewish society and learning.

The Dimensions of Orthodox Judaism, edited by Reuven Bulka, Ktav Publishing House ($30), is an anthology of studies on trends in traditional life, by leading North American Jewish intellectuals. They include both familiar Orthodox — like Walter Wurzburger, Shlomo Riskin, Norman Lamm, Irving Greenberg and Bulka — spokesmen and non-Orthodox spokesmen, like Eliezer Berkovitz and Bernard Mandelbaum.

Issues addressed include: the role of Orthodoxy in modern life; its accomplishments; changes; the authority of halacha; family life; and the continuous development of North American yeshivot. An Orthodox response to women's liberation is also presented.

The studies, culled from various recent periodicals and publications, are well written and documented. Bulka, a leading rabbi in Ottawa, has assembled them nicely. The book provides a learned look at what is probably North America's most dynamic religious community.

A Living Covenant: The Innovative Spirit in Traditional Judaism, by David Hartman ($34), describes the responsive evolution of traditional Judaism through the ages. Hartman emphasizes living spiritual principles underlying the changes and growth, bringing in the philosophies of Yeshiva University's Joseph Soloveitchik and controversial Israeli Yehuda Leibowitz.

Hartman was a leading rabbi in Montreal before moving to Israel, where he founded and operates the Shalom Hartman Institute for Advanced Jewish Studies.

Well documented, Hartman's book is a substantive study that can be of value to readers regardless of their background in Judaism.

Ancient Judaism, by Irving Zeitlin ($25), Polity Press, examines the greater social and cultural environment that surrounded the birth of Judaism.

The author is a professor of sociology at the University of Toronto.

Zeitlin follows prominent individuals and groups who helped shape Judaism from its origin to the return from Babylon under Nehemiah and Ezra. He is critical of the critical school of Bible criticism.

As is soon evident, Zeitlin's main sources are the biblical accounts themselves, supplemented with midrashic material, and their validation by recent archeological finds.

Zeitlin's study is a pleasure to read; its solid scholarship never overwhelms the clear logical prose. It is a good overview of the new and the old in biblical history.

Midrash, Mishnah and Gemorah: The Jewish Predilection for Justified Law, by David Weiss Halivni, Harvard University Press ($29), is a scholar's book. Non-scholars exercising some concentration and mental stamina will also be rewarded.

The author, one of Israel's foremost Talmudic researchers, is visiting professor of religion at Columbia University and professor of Talmud and rabbinics at the Jewish Theological Seminary. It is his first book in English.

Halivni introduces some subtle as well as broad differences among the three intertwined forms of the recorded oral law and its elaboration. The path from Mishnah to Gemorah is not a straightforward one, as Halivni delights in pointing out.

Apocalyptic Messianism and Contemporary Jewish-American Poetry, by R. Barbara Gitenstein, State University of New York Press ($30), is another scholar's book that can be enjoyed by a variety of laymen. Teachers of English from high school and up will be particularly delighted with the up-to-date wealth of authors and ideas presented in this deceptively small thin volume.

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By VIVIENNE MUHLING 483-9331

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Arts

La Traviata a Verdi masterpiece

Tragic love story hits high notes with audiences

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

Giuseppe Verdi is the Shakespeare of grand opera and *La Traviata* is his *Hamlet*.

Of all his melodramatic — and beautifully melodic — tragedies, it still stands as his supreme masterpiece.

Based on Alexandre Dumas the younger's theatrical 1852 tear-jerker, *La Dame Aux Camelias*, it has remained after more than 130 years the most endearing and popular of Verdi's operas.

It is, of course, the tragic love story about a seductive courtesan from Paris who abandons her wicked ways because of her genuine attachment to an ardent young nobleman from Provence.

His father persuades her to give up the liaison because it is ruining his son's career. After making this sacrifice for the sake of true love, she dies in the last act coughing and withering away from tuberculosis.

In *Camille*, playing the reformed harlot's role opposite Robert Taylor, Greta Garbo made it the most affecting of her movies.

In the Canadian Opera Company's production currently staged at the O'Keefe Centre, the Romanian soprano Nelly Miricioiu turns the role into a dramatic tour de force.

She is a short, striking-looking brunette, no beauty, but an accomplished actress, both physically and vocally.

She uses gestures wonderfully well to suggest changing facets of character, whether playing the coquette or engaging in a duet of opposing wills when pleading with her lover's father.

And her voice is an equally mobile instrument, which gives depth and meaning to Verdi's dark and melancholy arias.

Alas, the same cannot be said of the American tenor, Tonio Di Paolo, who plays her supposedly virile lover like a whimpering adolescent wimp.

Happily, the Canadian baritone Allan Monk compensates for that weakness in the father's role. Together, he and Miricioiu do full justice to the silken melodies that Verdi wrought for the most moving of his operas.

Romanian soprano Nelly Miricioiu and Canadian baritone Allan Monk are standouts in Verdi's masterpiece La Traviata.

Album of Holocaust songs tops list

Jewish music season scores a hit

music

By
RICK KARDONNE

The 1985-86 Toronto Jewish music season was well-balanced and pleased all audiences, with more light entertainment then the previous season, together with major performances of contemporary serious American-Jewish compositions, mostly at Holy Blossom.

There was a safe attitude in the planning of communal events, which, if understandable due to financial pragmatism, also underestimated Toronto Jewry's natural curiosity to probe the more esoteric elements of Jewish music.

In choosing the annual best events of 1985-86, therefore, preferences must be given to those programs which went beyond the tried and true but nonetheless retained large audience interest. Thus, the best event of 1985-86 was a record: Louis Danto's Songs of Holocaust and Heroism, a Toronto-produced album of Holocaust songs which ranks, in terms of production and choice of material, as a classic tribute to the Jewish spirit.

Runners-up include: (1) The cross-Canada tour of Israel's Bat-Dor Dance Company, (2) the entire musical segment of the Royal Ontario Museum's Precious Legacy exhibit last fall, (3) the Beth Sholom cantoral concert June 5 featuring Tzvi Aroni, David Bagley, Ben-Zion Miller and Alberto Mizrachi, and (4) the musical celebrations of resumption of diplomatic relations between Spain and Israel at Petach Tikvah Anshe Castilla featuring Israel's Amranim Brothers and local Spanish-Jewish performers.

The significant serious music aspect of the 1985-86 season mostly emanated from Holy Blossom. Under the guidance of Cantor Benjamin Maissner, Ralph Schlossberg's Hallel was premiered and Morton Gold's Songs of Triumph also received a full orchestral and choral performance.

But the Toronto original Jewish music scene was a disappointment compared with past seasons. In perspective, this was 1985-86's greatest failure. Except for Shabbat Shira, at which several new compositions composed in Toronto were simultaneously premiered there, and, so far, not heard again, there were very few if any offering from Toronto's local Jewish original music scene.

What happened to the annual Congress commission of a new original Jewish musical work? What is being concretely done to encourage new Toronto Jewish composers? These are all major questions which should be satisfactorily answered, hopefully, next year.

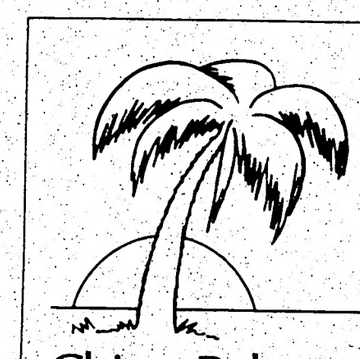
The youth music sphere was somewhat improved over last season. There was a sellout Minkler concert of Avraham Fried and comic Moshe Weiner, presented by Chabad Lubavitch of Markham. There was a multi-organizational-sponsored recital by Chava Alberstein in a JCC room which was not suitable for a star of her stature.

Other Israelis who performed in Toronto included David Broza (twice), Tzvika Pick, Hagashash, Dudu Topez, Yigal Bashan and the new Army Entertainment Unit, all to capacity audience. The 1985 Chassidic Song Festival, however, fell far short of its usual high performance standards.

Jewish musical theatre, both within the Leah Posluns framework and outside, increased in activity despite little or unfavorable notice from the downtown press.

The world premiere of a New York-written musical based on the life of Theodor Herzl at the Leah Posluns Theatre was in itself a milestone in terms of production strategy.

However, there were some instances in which performers did not get suitably paid for much hard work and dedication. If Jewish theatre is to last in Toronto, its participants must be able to rely upon respectable remuneration.



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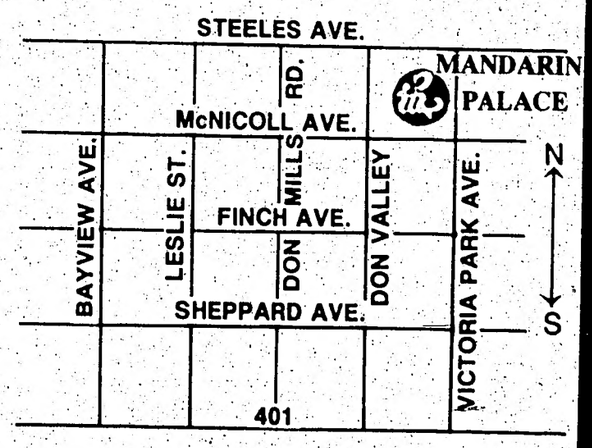

"A genial Jewish gentleman"

Host of The Happy Gang was all-around entertainer

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

Bert Pearl, Canada's first entertainment superstar who emceed the longest-running program in the history of Canadian radio, died recently after a long illness in Cedars-Sinai Hospital in Los Angeles. He was 73.

The Winnipeg-born Jewish showman, versatile as a pianist, songwriter and all-around entertainer, was host to *The Happy Gang*, which was broadcast coast to coast five days a week from 1937 to 1959.

Millions of radio listeners switched on their sets to hear "peanut-sized Pearl" open the show with a "Knock! Knock!" followed by this corny exchange of dialogue with his cast:

"Who's there?"

"It's the Happy Gang."

"Well, c'mon in!"

And all Canada did come in while the band struck up the jaunty theme song which Pearl composed, *Keep Happy With The Happy Gang*.

In his heyday, he was dubbed Chief Happy Voice in the Sky by Canada's Blood Indians. And in 1982, Manitoba conferred on him the province's highest award, the Order of the Buffalo Hunt.

"He was a genial Jewish gentleman and a consummate pro," Johnny Wayne of the Wayne & Shuster comedy team recalled last week.

"At his peak, he was like a national ikon," Wayne told The CJN. "In the 1950s, just for a kibitz, we pulled a switch. Bert emceed our night comedy show and in exchange we clowned as hosts of his daytime show."

Wayne said he was an astute showman who had a keen understanding of his audience.

"His show was full of spontaneous humor, homey jokes, and mass appeal music," said Wayne.

"In the war years, he had people weeping when his gang repeatedly played his version of *There'll Always Be An England*. It was a slick combination of fun and sentiment, whose top calibre production was rare in Canadian showbiz at that time.

"Publicly, he had an engaging personality. Privately, he was something of a mystery man. He kept his personal life very private."

According to the CBC's Toronto publicity archives, Pearl was born of Jewish immigrant parents in Winnipeg's so-called north-side Jewish ghetto.

When he was 4, his mother gave him a violin, but he balked at taking lessons, preferring instead to play the piano. His family remembered how the youngster would "drum his fingers across the holes of a wicker piano stool and he'd hum tunes to accompany his own songs."

He liked to joke that he was a poor student, boasting that "four of the happiest years of my life were spent in fourth grade."

In fact, he was an exceptional scholar, who hankered to be a brain surgeon. He was one of 10 brilliant high school students who won an Isbister Scholarship, which enabled him to attend the University of Manitoba medical school.

He came to Toronto at the height of the Depression in 1935, becoming a CBC pianist to earn money for his second year of medical school. But because of the instant popularity of *The Happy Gang* format he created, he never returned to medicine.

"Bert was a folk hero to Winnipeggers," Monty Hall, the Winnipeg-born quiz master, told The CJN in a phone interview from Los Angeles.

"We who hoped to get into showbiz idolized him," said Hall. "When we came to Toronto in search of a break into the showbiz world, the first thing we'd do after getting off the train was to phone Bert.

"I know that's what I did. He couldn't give me a job, but I'll never forget how he took me out to lunch and encouraged me. I aspired to be an emcee like him."

In 1959, Pearl left stardom in Canada to try his luck in Los Angeles. He became an NBC-TV music coordinator, writing lyrics for guest stars on the Jimmy Durante and Gisele MacKenzie specials. He also was a lounge solo pianist at the Hollywood nightclubs, including Ciro's, the Moulin Rouge and the Interlude.

"But he never really made it here in Hollywood," says Hall. "He'd been at the top of the heap in Canada. Now he felt like a has-been."

The puckish, elfin mentor he idolized, says Hall, became increasingly reclusive, a tragic figure who felt sorry for himself.

In 1975, he attempted a brief Canadian comeback, attracting a record crowd of 20,000 to the bandshell at Toronto's Canadian National Exhibition for a reunion, and took his Happy Gang troupers on a short tour of the prairie cities of Lethbridge, Saskatoon and Regina.

"But he remained depressed," says Hall. "He cheered up only when I arranged to have him the centre of attention. I invited him to appear on a Telethon, to my home for a Passover seder, and to a small party on his 70th birthday at the Brown Derby, where he was toasted by some of the Canadian contingent in Hollywood, like Lorne Green and Gisele MacKenzie and writer Charles Isaacs.

"Briefly, then, he behaved like the old Bert Pearl, telling wonderful stories, and feeling wanted again. He gloried in my success and felt a bit envious.

" 'I'm proud of you, Monty,' he said. 'You're what I've always wanted to be.'

"I'm glad I told him before his death: 'Bert, you've always been my role model of what an emcee should be. I'm you're No. 1 fan, and to us, there's only one Bert Pearl.' "

Bert Pearl, Canada's first entertainment superstar, as he was in his heyday during the 1940s as host of the CBC Happy Gang daily radio show.

Musical fantasy festival highlight

PORT CARLING, Ont. — *Alligator Pie*, a comic musical fantasy based on poems by Dennis Lee, and produced for the stage by Theatre Passe Muraille, will open at the Port Carling Memorial Hall here July 8 as a highlight of the Muskoka Festival.

Also part of the festival will be *Talking Dirty*, a Vancouver comedy about two Yuppies sexually beset by the "7-year itch," which opens July 9 at the Gravenhurst Opera House.

Paper Wheat, a theatrical "collective" revue, directed by Michael Ayoub, opens July 16 at the Gravenhurst Opera House.

For information about festival tickets, phone (705) 687-3303.

Theatre to present High Park production

TORONTO —

Thanks to a $72,000 grant from Petro-Canada, Toronto Free Theatre will be able to present its annual free "Dream In High Park" production this summer.

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Arts

Inferior kindling refuses to ignite

Strong casts can't save preachy play, clumsy comedy

As three standup comics, John H. Brennan (left), Kimble Hall and Ron Rubin are better than their material in Three Guys Naked From The Waist Down.

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

Mark this down as a mixed review.

In the jargon of the reviewing trade, that means that the two productions under inspection have plenty to offer, but don't quite make it.

Both are loaded with gifted performers who have talent to burn. But, alas, they're burdened with inferior kindling that refuses to ignite.

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Two Brothers (at the St. Lawrence Centre until July 12) proves the axiom that an editorial, no matter how worthy its message, does not a drama make.

Evidently Malcolm Black, artistic director of the local Theatre Plus company, chose to produce this script by Mexican playwright Felipe Santander because he felt that Mexico and Canada have much in common. Both of our branch-plant economies suffer because we are dominated by our giant U.S. neighbor.

That message is hammered home in a preachy polemic that recounts the plight of Mexican miners in a rural company town exploited by alien capitalists who are absentee owners.

To make that Brechtian point even more explicit, a garrulous schoolmaster is thrust irrelevantly onstage between scenes to harangue the audience with his Marxist dialectic, like a very tedious lecturer.

The large Canadian cast is excellent, especially Len Doncheff, Gillie Fenwick, David Ferry, Sam Malkin — and Monique Mojica, the Indian-Jewish actress who was so outstanding in the recent Dora Award-winning play, *Jessica*. But for all their valiant huffing and puffing, they can't blow any life into this well-meaning but dull melodrama.

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Three Guys Naked From The Waist Down (at Toronto Free Theatre, 26 Berkeley St., 368-2856) is a worthwhile musical comedy if only because it showcases the considerable comic talents of Ron Rubin.

The Winnipeg-born graduate of Yuk Yuk's Komedy Kabaret is until now known only to insiders as the manic jester who makes all those funny noises in the award-winning Waterpik commercial.

Outrageous off-the-wall antics

Here he comes across as a Harpo Marx who talks, a pensive Robin Williams indulging in his most outrageous off-the-wall antics.

In this import of a comedy, which is touted as having been an Off-Broadway hit for seven months, he is teamed up with two other amusing Canadian comedians, Kimble Hall and John H. Brennan.

Despite the risque title, they don't play strippers in a gay bar. Rather, the title refers to the traumas endured by professional standup comics who feel naked when desperately striving to milk laughter from an audience with their gags.

Regretably, the gags they're given to mouth by New York writers Jerry Colker and Michael Rupert are sour and the plot clumsy. It deals with three guys on the make as New Jersey comics, who strike it lucky on the *Johnny Carson Show*, become globally renowned as a comedy team in drag, and finally break up as they succumb to disillusion.

The second act drags on interminably and the unmemorable songs fall as flat as most of the puerile jokes. It's a shame because the three guys deserve a better podium to display their genuine comic gifts.

Book shows how to defeat terrorism

books

By
BERNARD BASKIN

Terrorism: How The West Can Win. By Benjamin Netanyahu. Collins $26.95.

Terrorism, in one form or another, is a basic fact of our age. It represents an open and declared war against society that will be overcome only through the determined effort of all civilized countries.

Many acts of terrorism are performed for their own sake. In the mind of the terrorist violence is not only desirable but even joyful.

What makes terrorism especially hideous is that rules concerning noncombatants are not only ignored, but turned on their head. What the terrorist wants is to promote fear and uncertainty. Shooting children or throwing them out of windows leads to feelings of outrage and dismay — as well as to a sense of hopelessness.

What kind of human beings can do such things? In an age when Nazis roasted untold thousands in gas ovens the question becomes superfluous.

What has been the world's reaction to this new form of barbarism? In the eyes of their friends and supporters the murderers are "freedom fighters." They are even hailed as heroes. Saudi Arabia, which finances terrorist activities is regarded as "moderate." The PLO is urged upon Israel as a legitimate negotiating partner.

Even those who condemn the terrorists do little to curb or punish them. The nations of the world tolerate the progressive breakdown of the moral fabric of society that has been slowly built up through the years.

The greatest sin of terrorism is that it saps the will of civilized society to defend itself. Governments end up negotiating with terrorists — negotiations aimed not at destroying or disarming the terrorists, but acceding in part to their demands.

Governments provide ransom money to terrorists, release convicted criminals, or accord terrorists the status, rights and legitimacy of negotiating partners.

In June 1984 a conference on terrorism was held in Jerusalem sponsored by the Jonathan Institute, named after the brilliant young leader who lost his life in the raid on Entebbe. That conference is the basis for this valuable volume of 38 essays which deals with every aspect of international terrorism and with suggestions as to how the menace can be eradicated.

The contributors include, among others, United States government officials — Secretary of State George P. Shultz, Attorney-General Edwin Meese, Senators Alan Cranston, Paul Laxalt and Daniel Patrick Moynihan, the former ambassador to the United Nations Jeane J. Kirkpatrick, FBI Director William H. Webster; journalist Arnaud de Borchgrave, Ted Koppel, Charles Krauthammer, Norman Podhoretz, Daniel Schorr, George Will, Bob Woodward; authors and educators Midge Decter, Bernard Lewis, Eugene Rostow and Claire Sterling.

The Israelis who offer their suggestions and ideas are the minister of defence, Yitzhak Rabin; the Chief Justice, Meir Shamgar; the former minister of defence, Moshe Arens; the former ambassador to the United Nations, Yehuda S. Blum, and the present ambassador to the UN, Benjamin Netanyahu, editor of this volume and brother of Lieut.-Col. Jonathan Netanyahu.

Terrorism can be defeated. This book shows the way. It should be must reading for all who cry out for the Western world to come to its senses before it is too late.

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Travel

Denmark celebrates Hans Christian Anderson

Special events mark 150th anniversary of fairy tales

By
JAMES MONTAGNES

ODENSE, Denmark — This is a special year in Denmark, and especially in this town on the island of Funen. For here Denmark's famed story teller Hans Christian Andersen was born and this is the 150th anniversary of the publication of his first collection of fairy tales.

Throughout the summer months his home will have performances of the many plays he wrote around his fairy tales. His birthplace home and his later home, which are now museums, will be open to visitors as every year, and there will be 3-day fairy tale tours of the island of Funen, available through travel agents in Canada.

In Copenhagen, Denmark's capital, there is to be an exhibition of Andersen's work at the Theatre Museum during July and August. An exhibition of his sketches will be shown at the Historical Museum at Frederiksborg Castle at Hillerod, just north of Copenhagen. A play, The Nightingale, will be staged as a mime show at the Town Hall in Skaelskor, on the west side of the island of Sealand, on July 26. Other events with the anniversary will be held in other parts of the country.

Denmark has a remarkable number of historic castles still in good condition. One such, not far from Odense is Egeskov near the town of Kvaerndrup with gables and round towers with conical roofs and has a park filled with flowers.

The island of Funen is one of a number of islands which together with the Jutland peninsula, forms the kingdom of Denmark. It is primarily an agricultural country, with excellent roads as this travel reporter found out some time ago. Between the islands there are numerous car ferries, operating frequently, and local air services from Copenhagen to a number of cities.

Copenhagen is the main entry point for most Canadians, except those who come by car or tour bus from West Germany to the Jutland area.

Copenhagen is full of places to visit. Here Andersen lived after he left Odense at age 14 to make his way as a writer. Here also is the famous Little Mermaid Statue on an arm of the city's waterfront — a much smaller statue than you are led to believe from the photographs taken up close. On the opposite shore are shipyards, forming the background for the waterfront park statue.

Stock Exchange worth look

Of the many interesting sights to see be sure to have a look at the Stock Exchange. You won't find another financial centre anywhere with a similar architecture. It looks more like a church with a spire, except that the spire consists of upward twisting stone dragons' tails. You can't miss it when in the commercial sector and visiting the Christianborg Palace on the waterfront.

The Changing of the Guard at Amalienborg Palace in Copenhagen is on a par with the ceremonies at Buckingham Palace. So make a point of seeing these scarlet-coated soldiers with their bearskin hats in the ceremonial parade during the summer when Queen Margrethe II is in residence.

If you enjoy rich pastries the Stroget is the street to visit. It is a pedestrian road not far from the City Hall. Almost every other shop window is filled with shipped cream-laden small and big cakes where you can enjoy the rich food or buy it to take home. The Stroget is for shopping not only for gourmet food, but also clothes, jewelry, furniture and crafts.

For a visit of small rural communities tour Jutland, which takes in the largest part of the Danish mainland. This is dairy country where you'll find plenty of geese wandering about in and near small towns, and where on old farmhouse chimneys there are nests of storks, with the big birds easily identifiable.

In most towns and villages you'll find timbered 1- and 2-storey inns, many dating back several hundred years and up-to-date in their furnishings and facilities. Only in the largest cities will you find modern highrise hotels. Camp grounds are plentiful. Thatched roof cottages are part of the rural scene.

Along the west coast of Jutland are numerous sand beaches, used for relaxation and sunning. The warnings about swimming are never to go alone, and always swim parallel with the coast, not out to sea, for the currents are strong and the winds can blow you out to sea, especially if you use a floating rubber mattress or other light type of raft.

In Copenhagen there are two synagogues, the main one at 12 Krystalgade, not far from the Rosenborg Castle and its park. The other is the Machsike Hadass Synagogue at 12 Ole Suhrs Gade. There are numerous Jewish community organizations and three kosher restaurants, two of which will supply kosher food boxes which can be taken out and heated up later.

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Business Outlook

Records kept and protected

Firm has solution to storage problem

By
LORI SMITH

TORONTO —
In this information age one of the main problems many businesses face is where to store their growing collection of active and inactive records.

Space is a premium in the downtown business sections of many cities and the cost of expansion for companies to store their own records is prohibitive and often impossible.

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The company, which currently has offices in Scarborough, Mississauga, London, Ont. and Bedford, NS, offers its clients a range of services including semi-active records maintenance; inactive records retention; dormant records storage; vital records protection; full courier retrieval services; security records destruction; stationery maintenance and distribution; records storage containers; records management systems and Command office products.

Brad Hatch, a Command representative, explains that Command allows companies to keep their records offsite at greatly reduced costs.

Vital records such as computer tapes, computer discs, microfilm and fiche, are stored in locked steel units in a environmentally-controlled vaults that are protected by 1301 Halon systems in case of fire, motion detectors and contact alarms.

Inactive records are kept in concrete and steel buildings that are protected by sophisticated intrusion and fire detection systems.

Hatch explains that all visitors have escorts in the building and can only enter through the reception area where they must be properly identified and given a visitors tag.

The records themselves are not kept in alphabetical order or any order. Instead they are stored in a random sort in boxes marked with their client's code number.

In order to obtain the records, both the location and client number must be known. Command's bonded employees can, however, retrieve files in as little as five minutes. A computer system houses the necessary information.

But, he says, that what they are basically offering is a 24-hour turnaround on retrievals. And he adds that Command's drivers can only off load material to a person with the appropriate identification card and signature check. If the signatures do not match, the driver will immediately return the material to Command.

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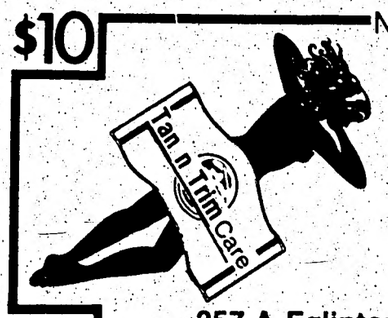

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Staff appreciation night draws a huge crowd

TORONTO —

It was standing room only in Temple Sinai's social hall recently when some 375 parents and students gathered for Leo Baeck's Day School's first staff appreciation night.

Sponsored by the Parents Association, the event was a highlight of the 1985-86 school year.

The entire staff was called on stage, one at a time, where each was greeted by a balloon-toting youngster and rounds of enthusiastic applause. Gifts were presented to staffers who have been with Leo Baeck five to nine years, and 10 years-plus.

Rabbi Irwin Witty, executive director of the Toronto Board of Jewish Education commented that "it's a marvelous phenomenon to have parents pay tribute to teachers."

Chairman of the Parents' Association, Sharon Sadowski noted that the school has an active association ". . . of which we can be very proud."

She added that the association now has a voice on the Jewish Women's federation and the Council for Hebrew Day Schools.

Director of Leo Baeck, David Cohen, concluded that all those connected with the school look forward to going from "strength to strength as the years continue."

Teachers take the limelight at Leo Baeck Day School's first staff appreciation night.

Merger sought by paper

WINNIPEG —

The Jewish Post has asked the Jewish Community Council here to help bring about a merger of the newspaper with the smaller Western Jewish News, the city's other Anglo-Jewish weekly, The Post reports.

Bernie Bellan, The Jewish Post's business manager, made the request to the council's board of directors in a brief presented at the board's recent monthly meeting.

Bellan said that Winipeg, with a Jewish population of 15,000, has two Jewish weeklies. In contrast, other North American Jewish communities the same size as or larger than Winnipeg's have only one Jewish paper.

The existence of the two weeklies has led to a "wasteful duplication of service," he stated. "Jewish organizations within the city feel . . . obligated to advertise in both papers, thus leading to an allocation of funds that might be better spent elsewhere."

Shalom Village model for non-profit groups

By
MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —

Shalom Village continues to be a model of independent living combined with support services for the elderly and "government agencies, planners and individual community groups are emulating our ideas," the centre's recent annual general meeting was told.

In the 4½ years since Shalom Village has been in operation, it has become a model for other non-profit groups in Ontario, said administrator Sheila Burman. Part of her time, she said is spent "consulting with other groups sent by the ministry of community and social services and the region.

"It is certainly heartening to know that these government departments which help to fund our program think so highly of us."

What makes Shalom Village so special is the emphasis it places on the needs of the individuals — "something we are able to do because of our small size," she said.

When the original board members began planning an institution for the growing number of Jewish elderly, "there was little to fill the gap between totally independent living and total institutions," said outgoing Shalom Village president Dr. Ronald Kaplan.

A psychologist at the McMaster University Medical Centre department of psychiatry with a special interest in geriatrics, Kaplan was involved with the planning for Shalom Village from the outset. The volunteers who made up the board at the time, he said, recognized this gap at a time "when this was still a fairly novel concept.

"Now we see that government agencies and planners and individual community groups are emulating our ideas. However, it is rare to see as comprehensive a program as that which we have at Shalom Village."

Kaplan began his term as president when Shalom Village was just "finishing its growing pains." With the needs of the aging residents changing, "the broader Jewish community still has unmet needs of the elderly that challenge us to think of solutions," he said.

The planning committee faces the problems of obtaining increased support and possibly extra staffing for "the growing task of maintaining what we have and adding further facilities," he said.

Hamilton lawyer Leon Price succeeds Kaplan as president of Shalom Village.

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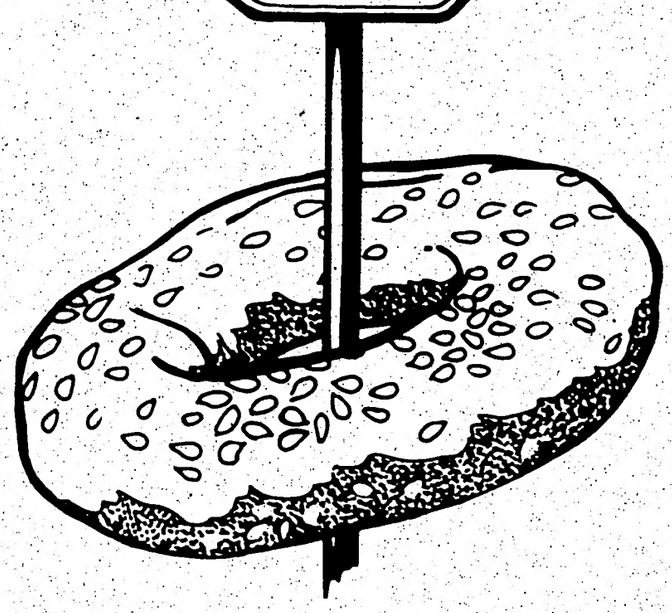

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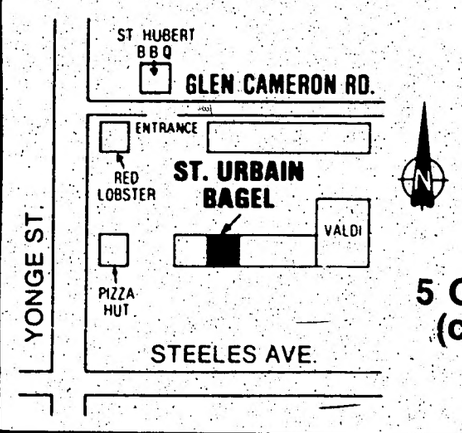

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